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## Sonia Gandhi admitted to Ganga Ram Hospital with viral infection

Former Congress president Sonia Gandhi was admitted to Sir Ganga Ram Hospital in New Delhi on Wednesday for viral respiratory infection. Sonia's daughter Priyanka Gandhi Vadra accompanied her to the hospital in the morning. Sources said Sonia has been unwell since Tuesday, which is why Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka returned to Delhi after walking 7 km in the Bharat Jodo Yatra that entered UP on Tuesday.

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Shri Naveen Patnaik
Hon'ble Chief Minister

## PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified that, my client has entered into agreement to purchase the Schedule Property from its Owners **(1) Sri.Manoj Kumar P.Jain** S/o Sri.Panechand A.Jain, **(2) Smt.Latha.M.Jain** W/o Sri.Manoj Kumar P.Jain, **(3) Sri.Kumar D.Seth** S/o Sri.Dinesh Seth, **(4) Smt.Sunita K.Seth** W/o Sri.Kumar D.Seth, **(5) Sri.Kewal Chand M.Jain** S/o Sri.Mithalal Jain, **(6) Smt.Pushpa K.Jain** W/o Sri.Kewal Chand M.Jain, **(7) Sri.G.Ramesh** S/o Sri.Y.Gopala Krishna Chattiar and **(8) Smt.R.Sujatha** W/o Sri.G.Ramesh, residing in the Schedule property.

Apart from the said owners, if any other person/s have any manner of right, title and or interest or claim or charge or lien over the Schedule property or otherwise have any lawful objection/s for sale of the Schedule Property by the aforesaid Owners, they are hereby called upon to file their objection/s in writing, along with the photocopies of documents on which they rely, with the undersigned, within 14 days from the date of publication of this notice. Objection/s received thereafter will not be binding on my client.

**SCHEDULE**

All that piece and parcel of the residential apartment known as "LEO RESIDENCY"' comprised of basement, ground, first and second floors, bearing Municipal Nos.5 (PID No.50-7-5), 6 (PID No.50-7-6), 6/1 (PID No.50-7-6/1), 6/2 (PID No.50-7-6/2), 6/3 (PID No.50-7-6/3), built in the land/property baring Municipal No.5 & 6, measuring East to West 100 ft and North to South 50 ft, in all measuring 5000 Sq.ft, situated at Maharastra Mahila Vidyalaya Road (also known as M.M.V. Road), Visweswarapuram, Bangalore and bounded on:

East by : Conservancy
West by : Road
North by : Property No.99
South by : Private Property

Sd/- Goutam Chand S.F
Advocate
**Goutam Associates**
No.60, 2nd Floor, Kanakapura Road,
Basavanagudi, Bangalore – 560 004

## LOST

I, **Sowbhagya Ananthaswamy** No. 172, Sumeru, 7th Main, 2nd D Cross, BSK 1st Stage, Nagendra Block, Bangalore-560050. have Lost Mother Deed, Survey No. 16/2, Site No. 60 and 61, Doc. No. ALN.SR.(N)117/91-92 Dated 15-02-1992 Situated at Sy. No. 16/2, 6th Cross, Mathru Layout, Chikkabommasandra Village, Yelhanka Taluk, Bangalore North. In this regard they have lodged missing complaint with the Lost Article Report Reference No.0434830/2023 dtd: 04-01-2023. If anybody found please **Call: 9448562809, 9844413465**

## LOST

I, **Mrudula Satish Mayadeo,** No. 58/A, 5th Main, 2nd Cross, Bangalore South, Bengaluru-560039, have lost **SALE AGREEMENT** for an apartment in Tanishka Residency, Warje Pune HVL-22/13752/18/36-2022. In this regard they have lodged missing complaint with the Lost Article Report Reference No. 0433725/2023 dated : 03-01-2023. If anybody found please **Call: 9900595438.**

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## HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT
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## TENDER NOTICE

T.N.No.46/2022-23/HDO/Dated: 30.12.2022

For and on behalf of Governor of Tamil Nadu, **Percentage tender through online only** will be received up to **07.02.2023, 14.00 hours** (Server Time) by the Superintending Engineer (H) C&M Thiruchirappalli Circle, Thiruchirappalli-20 for CRIDP 2022-2023 Scheme works, **2 CMRDP works** pertaining to **Thiruchirappalli** (H) C&M Division.

Details of works, approximate value of works, EMD, availability of tender documents and all other details are available from **06.01.2023** onwards in the Government website **https://tntenders.gov.in.** If any changes / Corrections in the tender, it will be published in the above Government website only.

**Superintending Engineer (H), C&M Circle, Thiruchirappalli -20.**

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## IN THE COURT OF THE XVI ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
**Crl. Misc. No.2924/2022**

**BETWEEN: Sri. G. Muniyappa,** S/o. late Gundappa, aged about 64 years, No.17, 10th Cross, Near Venkateshwara College, Ramaiah Garden, Chikka Adugodi, Dharmaram College, Bengaluru South Bengaluru-560029. ...**APPLICANT**

**AND: The Commissioner,** Register of Birth and Death, BBMP, Bengaluru. ...**RESPONDENT**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Whereas the above named petitioner has filed the above petition seeking direction to register the date of death of deceased being the father of the petitioner by name Gundappa, S/o. Late Madurappa who died on 07.06.1997 at No.34, Mestripalya, 4th B Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru, and issue a direction accordingly for the death certificate as same is required to produce before the concern authorities/ documentation for transfer of Katha and for other legal purpose.

Any person/s interested and having any objection in this matter may appear before the above court at **11.a.m. on dated 23/1/2023** to which date the case is posted for hearing.

Given under my hand and seal of the court this 3/1/2023.

By order of the court, Sheristedar, XVI ADDL CMM Court, Bangalore.

Advocate for Petitioner: **Sri Mohammed Rafi** No. 20A, 2nd Floor, H.M.S. Complex, Cubbonpet Main Road, Bengaluru-560002.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the general public that our Client **Mr. WASIM MALIK INGALGI S/o.M F Ingalgi,** is intending to purchase the Schedule Property from **THE KARUR VYSYA BANK LIMITED.** Any person/s objecting for said Purchase or are having any right, title, interest or any type of claim over the scheduled property is hereby called upon to file their objections/claims what so ever along with documentary proof within **7 days** from the date of publication of this notice with the under mentioned advocate failing which; our client shall proceed and complete the sale transaction with the above stated person.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of property bearing **Plot No.314,** Katha No.803/28/2-314, carved out of Sy No.28/2, situated at **Srirampura Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk,** measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, in all measuring **1200 Square Feet,** presently under BBMP limits and bounded on the:-

**East by : Site No.313, West by : Site. No. 314-A, North by : Park, South by : Road**

**C.K.V.K. LAW ASSOCIATES**
**Mr. VENKATESH CHANDRAN** M.A., L.L.B.
**Advocates & Legal Consultants**
Bangalore-43. M: 9845846428, 7204863700

## PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that, my client has entered into an Agreement of Sale dated 18.11.2022 with the owners of the property Viz, **1. Smt. M. Geetha, 2. Smt. Rashmi Madhukara** and **3. Sri Venkatagiri Krishnamurthy,** Sl. Nos.2 & 3 are Represented by their mother and GPA Holder Smt. M. Geetha and anybody having any claim against the Schedule Property may send such claim along with authenticated documents to the undersigned address **within 7 days** from the date of this publication and failing which, it will be taken as no claim by anybody to proceed with the purchase of the Schedule Property by my client.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing No.299, Sarakki, situated at 15th Cross, V Phase, J.P. Nagar, Bengaluru-560078, measuring East to West 12.19 Metres (40 Feet) and North to South 18.29 Metres, (60feet), in all 222.96 Square Metres, (2,400 square feet), consisting of Ground Floor and First Floor with RCC Roof, with all civic amenities, having PID No.57-190-299, BBMP Ward No.178 and bounded on the: **East by:** Site No.300, **West by:** Site No.298, **North by:** 15th Cross Road, **South by:** Site Nos.334 & 333.

Address: **K.K. Vasanth,** Advocate No.22/44, 1st Floor, J.C. Road, Near Minerva Circle, Bengaluru-560002, Mobile: 9845315714 mail: kkvasanthadvocate@gmail.com.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients have negotiated to purchase immovable **COMMERCIAL Property bearing Municipal No.490, presently comes under BBMP Ward No.82-Hoysalanagar, PID No.82-1-490 measuring EAST TO WEST 45 feet, NORTH TO SOUTH 92 feet Binnamangala Extension, Bangalore from Smt.K.V.RATHNAMMA,** W/o. Chikkavenkataswamy aged about 77 years, No.707 7th Main, Opp. to Crystal Flats, HAL 2nd Stage, Indiranagar, Bangalore - 560008.

Any person or persons asserting any rights, title, interest or claim in the schedule property or an part thereof in any manner or having any claim against the schedule property or against the owners or objecting to such sale in favour of my client should write to the undersigned within 10 days from issuance of this Public Notice with all documentary proof on which they are basing and asserting their rights with regard to the schedule property or any part thereof after which period my client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the schedule property.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

**ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF THE immovable COMMERCIAL Property bearing Municipal No.490, presently comes under BBMP Ward No.82-Hoysalanagar, PID No.82-1-490 measuring EAST TO WEST 45 feet, NORTH TO SOUTH 92 feet Binnamangala Extension, Bangalore with all civic amenities thereto with all appurtenances either latent or patent attached to the schedule property and bounded on the :**

**EAST BY : PROPERTY NO. 491**
**WEST BY : PROPERTY NO. 489**
**NORTH BY : PROPERTY NO. 475**
**SOUTH BY : CMH Road.**

**N.NARESH,** Advocate, No.17, 1st Cross, Bhuvaneshwarinagar, Banashankari 3rd Stage, 5th Block, Bangalore-560085, Mobile: 94481 14057

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public-are hereby notified that my clients **Mr. Mohan Kumar B.C. S/o Sri.Chandrashekar and Smt. Lavanya .H.C. W/o Mr. Mohan Kumar .B.C** Both are residing at No.1864, 'D' Group Layout, S G Kaval, Bangalore-560 091. Have enter into an Agreement of Sale Dt:16-08-2022 to purchase the below mentioned schedule property from its owner **Mr. Ajith P.** S/o Mr.A.V.Prakash, aged about 34 years and **Mrs. Sneha Sindhe S,** W/o Mr.Ajith.P aged about 34 years both are Residing at No.11, Beside N.R.I. Institute N.R.I.Road, Papareddypalya, Nagarabhavi, 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560 072, who have purchased Schedule Property from Mr.L.R.Dheeraj S/o Mr.A.G.Raman, through the Absolute Sale Deed, Vide registered as Document No.NGB-1-03593-2022-23, of Book No.1, Stored in C.D.No.NGBD1228, Dated:08-07-2022, in office of Sub-Registrar, Nagarabhavi, Bangalore and they are in actual possession and enjoyment of the same. Any Person/s having any claim or interest/objection for the above sale transaction or having any right, title and interest in the schedule property shall lodge his/her/their claim or objection With supporting documents to the undersigned **within Fifteen (15) DAYS** from today, any claim or objection received thereafter will not be binding on my clients and my clients will proceed to complete the sale transaction of the schedule property by treating as if there are no claims/ objections on it or same is waived.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of Vacant Property bearing **Municipal No.692 (Six Hundred and Ninety-Two), B.B.M.P. Khatha No.700, B.B.M.P. Property No.692/700, Situated at Rajajinagar HBCS,** B.B.M.P. WARD No.129, layout formed by the **Rajajinagar Housing Co-operative Society Limited'** in land bearing **Survey Nos.**20/2, 3, 7, 21/1, 2, 22, 27/4, 5, 7, 8(p), 27/14, 28(p), 35/1(p), 36/1(p), 36/6(p), 37/22, 40/4, 40/5, 116, 118, 121(20/1), 122, 123, 124(20/1), 125 and 126 of **SRIGANDHADHAKAVAL VILLAGE,** Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, The Bangalore Development Authority (BDA) Bangalore has conveyed Vide its Amended Letter No. BEM/A/PRA/NA-YOSA/PL-50/2935/2003-04, Dated:17-02-2004 that the Layout plan submitted by the Society has been approved Vide BDA's Resolution Amended No.222/B/2003, Dated: 30-12-2003, measuring **East to West: 40-0 Feet, North to South : (49-0 + 36-0)/2 Feet,** in all measuring **1700** Square feet and bounded as follows :-

**East by :** Site No.671, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Private Property, **South by :** Site No.691.

**P.V. SHIVAKUMAR,** Advocate, No. 133, 1st Main Road, 1st Block, 2nd Stage, Nagarabhavi, Bangalore-560072. Mobile: 9900825901 / 9844374935

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The undersigned advocate submit on behalf of my client **M. Nataraj, S/o. late Maregowda,** aged about 51 years, R/at # 24, 13th Cross, 17th Main, Venkateshwara Layout, Bommanahalli, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru-560068, and others have filed the death petition for the death certificate of deceased by name **MAREGOWDA S/o. Late Munigowda as he was died on 02-02-1993** at # 40/15, 14th A Main Road, KEB Road, Venkateshwara Layout, Madivala, Bengaluru-560068, if any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same or appear before the Hon'ble 15th A.C.M.M. Court on **04/02/2023 at 11-00 AM in C.Misc. No. 7464/2022.**

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
Sd/- SHERISTEDAR, COURT OF THE
15th A.C.M.M BENGALURU
**PAVITHRA .R,** ADVOCATE

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public is notified herewith, the property bearing No.663, BBMP No.12, 11th Cross, West Of Kanakapura Road, 7th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore belongs to **Sri.Ramesh Babu, Sri.Kumar M, Sri Raju.M and Sri Suresh Vijeth, being joint and absolute owners in enjoyment of title and peaceful possession by inheritance and registered deeds. That, except Sri.Ramesh Babu, Sri.Kumar M, Sri Raju.M and Sri Suresh Vijeth,** no other person/s/institutions or any shall have no such claim, demand, right, interest or title by way of previous sale or agreement to sell or mortgage or deeds or objections on the said property. It is notified that, the said property is not for sale/development or etc., and there are no such sale proceedings/ agreements/ charge/ lien over the property. Any persons/institutions/ company/ society dealing or entering into an agreement/ contract/ deeds shall be doing on their/its own risk and consequences. Any such unlawful claims /claiming to have any illegal right, title, interest, charge, lien or minor claims whatsoever over the said property, shall be prosecuted in the court of law..

**Sri. PRASHANTH KUMAR K. BA., LLB.,**
**Advocate and Legal Consultant,**
No.365, First Floor, Near Bhashyam Circle, Rajajinagara, 3rd Block, Bangalore-560010.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that **SRI.JITENDRA KUMAR VASISTH & SRI. GAJENDRA KUMAR VASHISTHA** are the owners of immovable property mentioned in the schedule hereunder and they have lost the original Allotment Letter dated 24/02/1964 & Memo dated 08/04/1964 issued by City Improvement Trust Board in the name of Sri. Anneyappa & Gift Deed dated 29/01/2013 bearing Doc No.3457/2012-13, Book-1, stored in CD No.148, executed by Smt.Sharadhamma W/o late Annayappa in favour of her daughter Smt.Chudamani SRO Gandhinagar, Bangalore & Sanctioned Building Plan dated 23/07/1979 bearing LP No.6293/1978-79 issued by Corporation of the City of Bangalore in the name of Sri.Annayappa, pertaining to the schedule property: In case anybody having any claims or in possession of the said document, shall inform the under singed and handover the same within **SEVEN DAYS** from the date of publication of this notice.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of House Property bearing Old No.3, 3/1, 3/2, assigned as New No.3, Old No.745, Old PID No.77-27-3/1, 77-27-3/2, New PID No.77-27-3, measuring East to West : 23 Feet, North to South : 25+26/2 Feet, totally measuring 586.5 Square feet, situated at 18th Cross, Sampangirama nagara, Bengaluru, presently comes under the Limits of Bruhath Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike Ward No.77, consisting of Ground Floor 46.4514 Sq.mts, First Floor 46.4515 Sq.mts and Second Floor 46.4515 Sq.mts R.C.C Roofed Building and bounded on : **East by :** Old Site No.744, **West by :** Old Site No.746, **North by :** Old Site No.738, **South by :** Road.

**N. JAGADEESH KUMAR, Advocate**
No.276, 2nd Floor, 1st Main Road, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560018.

## IN THE COURT OF THE XV ADDL CITY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE, AT BENGALURU (CCH-3)
**P&S.C. No. 775/2022**

**BETWEEN:**

**Sri. K.S. Seetharam,** S/o Late K.S. Sridhara Murthy, Aged about 60 years, R/a No. 349, 8th Cross, 4th Main, Avalahalli, BDA Layout, Hoskerehalli, Bangalore-560085. ...**Petitioner**

**And:** -Nil- ...**Respondent**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Whereas, the above named petitioner has filed petition to this Court under section 276 and section 278 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925 for grant of probate and Letters of Administration in respect of the Schedule Property on the WILL dated 02.04.2014 and CODICIL and 03.12.2014 executed by Late K.S. Nagaraja Rao in favour of the Petitioner in respect of the Schedule mentioned below. The below mentioned schedule was held by Late K.S. Nagaraja Rao who is the Petitioner's uncle who expired on 16.08.2022.

Interested parties are hereby called to appear in this Court in person or by a pleader duly instructed **on 14.02.2023 at 11.00 a.m** inform to show cause against the Petitioner, failing wherein the appearance will be heard and declared as Ex parte.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing **Site No. 290/2 situated on 34 "A" Cross, near 9th Main, Jayanagar, 4th Block, Bangalore-560011** with two storey dwelling house over it measuring **North** to **South 60 Ft, East** to **West 40 Ft** and bounded by:

**East by:** Site No. 290/1,
**West by:** Site No. 290/3,
**North by:** Site No. 290 and 291,
**South by:** Road

Given under my hand and seal of the Court, on this 16th day of December 2022.

**By Order of the Court**
***Sd/-* Asst. Registrar**
**City Civil Court,** Bangalore

**Address for Service:**
**Dr. M. Sunil Sastry, M/s. Sastry & Co., Advocates and Legal Consultants,**
New No.1098 (Old No-8), OTC Road, Nagarathpet, Bengaluru-560002.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general Public that my Client **Ciwan Strategy Private Limited,** having its registered office at No.004, Lelehzar Apartment, 45/1, Palace Road, Bangalore - 560001, is the sole and absolute Owner of converted Land bearing **Sy.No.99,** measuring 8 Acres 34 Guntas, situated at Ilthore Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District having purchased the same under the Sale Deed dated:08.10.2022, Registered as Document **No.DNH-1-05561/2021-22** in Book-1 and stored in **CD No.DNHD1373** in the office of the Sub Registrar, Devanahalli, from Smt. S.M.Bhagyamma & others.

My Client informs me that they have Lost the below mentioned original document pertaining to the above said land and in this regard they have already lodged a Police Complaint to this effect.

**DESCRIPTION OF DOCUMENT LOST**

**Sale Deed dated:14.04.1969** registered on 22.04.1969 as Document No.265/1969-70 in Book I, Volume 1027 at Pages 43 to 46 in the office of the Sub Registrar, Devanahalli, executed by Sri. S.Ramaswamy & others in favour of Sri. Y.H.Ramakrishna, S/o Hanumantharayappa.

In the circumstances the General Public are hereby cautioned not to deal with the above said land based on the document mentioned above with any person except with my client M/s. Ciwan Strategy Private Limited. If any person deals with the above referred land with any person on the strength of the document listed above, such transaction shall not be binding on my client in any manner whatsoever. Further any person/s in possession of the above mentioned original document are hereby notified to return the same to the undersigned within 15 (Fifteen) days.

**Place : Bangalore**
**Date:05/01/2023**

**LAKSHMINARAYANA N.**
Advocate
LN & Associates, Hari Mansion, No.3/6, Bull Temple Road, Opp. Uma Theatre, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560018.

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## NCLAT ORDERS GOOGLE TO PAY 10% OF ₹1,337 CR FINE

**The appellate tribunal refuses to stay the Competition Commission of India's (CCI) penalty on the US tech firm**

**NCLAT QUESTIONS GOOGLE'S RUSH FOR STAY**

The CCI last year imposed a ₹1,337 cr fine on Google for anti-competitive practices and ordered the tech giant to let android users uninstall pre-installed Google apps and choose their own search engines. Google last month approached the NCLAT seeking an immediate stay. The tribunal questioned the urgency shown by Google and declined to pass a stay order

**COURT ACCEPTS MAPMYINDIA'S PLEA**

- The court took in an impleadment plea filed by MapmyIndia—an Indian firm that makes digital maps and is a direct competitor of Google Maps. It will be heard at a later date
- MapmyIndia has criticised Google's anti-competitive practices for stifling the growth of many Indian digital services firms

**January 19**

**WHEN THE CCI'S ORDER TO GOOGLE IS SET TO TAKE EFFECT**

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# ₹20K CR NATIONAL GREEN HYDROGEN MISSION OKAYED

Cabinet decision aims to make India a hub for export, hopes to decarbonise major sectors of economy

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

THE Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the National Hydrogen mission with a total allocation of ₹19,744 crore for producing 5 million tonnes of green hydrogen by 2030. Out of the total allocation, ₹17,490 crore has been earmarked as incentive for the production of electrolysers and green hydrogen.

"India will be the global hub for green hydrogen in the future...two types of incentives will be given to boost the manufacturing of low-cost equipment and technologies. Incentives will be given on electrolyser manufacturing for five years for the production of green hydrogen. In addition, green hydrogen hubs will also be developed," Anurag Thakur, information and broadcasting minister said in a media briefing.

By 2030, the project expects to bring in over ₹8 lakh crore investment and create over 6 lakh jobs. Besides, nearly 50 MMT per annum of $CO_2$ emissions are expected to be averted by that year.

The mission will support pilot projects in emerging end-use sectors and production pathways. Regions capable of supporting large-scale production and utilisation of hydrogen will be identified and developed as green hydrogen hubs.

**Niti Aayog sees 4-fold growth** According to a Niti Aayog report, green hydrogen demand in India could grow more than four-fold by 2050 and its market in India could reach US$8 billion by 2030

The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy will formulate the scheme guidelines for implementation.

Rajat Seksaria, CEO, ACME Group, a cleantech solution provider, said the incentive programme would make the green molecule from India competitive. "This is required for the initial few projects and creating green hydrogen hubs, which will allow supply chains to be established and scale of production to increase. Several nations have already come up with green hydrogen subsidy and support programmes," he said.

However, Ramanuj Kumar, partner at Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas, while welcoming the incentive, was unsure if it would be adequate for boosting green hydrogen production.

In February last, the government notified the green hydrogen policy, which paved the way for faster approval for green hydrogen projects, waiver for inter-state transmission fee for 25 years and easier access to renewable energy for production of green hydrogen.

India has set a target of 5 million tonnes of green hydrogen, and 175 giga watts of green hydrogen-based energy capacity by 2030.

MATTER OF WORRY

# IT City sees 30% spike in crimes against women, kids

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IN an alarming revelation, statistics released by Bengaluru Police Commissioner CH Pratap Reddy on Wednesday show a 30 per cent increase in cases of crime against women and children, compared to other crime cases which took place in the city in 2022.

Crimes against women and children include those registered under Pocso Act, for dowry harassment, molestation and rape.

As many as 153 cases of rape were registered last year, of which 149 cases were committed by people known to the victims, like relatives, false marriage promises and live-in partners. Only four were committed by unknown persons.

"The increase in the number of cases registered are because more victims are coming forward to ensure action is taken against the accused," Reddy told the media while releasing statistics of both crime and traffic cases reported in the city in 2022.

In 2020 and 2021, there were 112 and 116 rape cases registered. As many as 444 cases have been registered under the Pocso Act in 2022. In 2020 and 2021, there were 286 and 399 Pocso cases.

Vehicle thefts top the list of the total number of cases registered by the city police in 2022. Of the total 28,518 cases registered under various sections of the Indian Penal Code (IPC), 5,066 vehicles were stolen, of which 1,189 have been recovered.

Around 478 cases of robbery have been registered, of which 351 cases were detected. There is no significant increase in crime cases compared to the last three years due Covid-related restrictions. Of the 172 cases of murders registered, most of them were due to personal reasons, family disputes and illicit affairs. The traffic police collected Rs 179 crore as fine for 1.04 crore cases registered.

**DECOMPOSED BODY OF WOMAN FOUND IN YESVANTPUR STN**

Bengaluru: In a shocking incident, a decomposed body of a woman, aged around 30, was found inside a plastic drum at Bengaluru's Yesvantpur Railway Station on Wednesday. According to officials, a cleaning staff discovered the blue drum on Platform 1 of the station and informed the Railway police after smelling the stench.

Of the 600 foreigners who were staying illegally in the city, 34 of them have been deported and 50 others have been sent to the detention centre in Nelamangala.

As for cases booked under the Motor Vehicle Act, 44 lakh riders were booked for not wearing helmets and 12 lakh cases registered for parking in no-parking zones.

# Will take up Bilkis' plea as lead matter, says SC

SHRUTI KAKKAR @ New Delhi

NOTING that Bilkis Bano, who was gang-raped by a mob during the Godhra riots in Gujarat when she was 20 and pregnant, has approached the court herself challenging the remission to 11 convicts, the Supreme Court on Wednesday said *locus standi* objections by the Gujarat government and a convict would not arise anymore. The court said it would take up her plea as a lead matter.

"After the victim's plea comes, the issue of locus goes. We'll take that matter (Bilkis's matter) as lead matter. Come on merits. In these cases no technicality has to follow," Justice Rastogi remarked while posting the pleas for February.

Apart from Bilkis, several third party petitioners, including CPI(M) leader Subhashini Ali and Trinamool's Mahua Moitra, filed petitions challenging the remission of sentence given to the 11 convicts.

# Visually challenged musician couple has no roof despite CM promise

KARTHIK KK @ Mysuru

THIS talented couple has been running from pillar to post for the past two years to find a shelter in Mysuru. Kumar (38) and Sudha Mani (37), both visually challenged, earn money by playing the harmonium and tabla, and singing at public places.

What makes their story sad is that authorities at different levels have turned a blind eye to their woes. There's more. No less than Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai himself had assured to provide them a home when they met him and submitted an application to him during one of his 'Janata Darshan' programmes. But their file does not seem to have moved forward. The couple take shelter in public places like bus stops and survive on the money they make from singing.

(From right) Kumar and Sudha Mani | UDAYASHANKAR S

> We were assured by the Chief Minister that a house will be sanctioned for us. There is no positive response as yet
> —Kumar

Kumar, a native of Channarayapatna, was born blind and studied in a school for blind up to SSLC. However, he couldn't continue his education as he did not receive support from his family. He walked out of the house and decided to follow his passion which is singing and playing music. He learnt how to play the harmonium and tabla and honed his singing skills by listening to songs on radio.

In 2021, Sudha Mani, a native of Periyapatna taluk who is also blind by birth, heard him singing near a bus stop. Both met, became friends and decided to marry. However, it's been two years and they still don't have a roof to live under. "We were assured by the CM that a house will be sanctioned for us. There is no positive response as yet. We do get the monthly pension for disabled, but that is not enough. My ambition is to build my own team of musicians and a band and organise orchestra for the public," said Kumar.

EXPRESS READ

**CBI moves HC for nod to attach Reddy properties**

Bengaluru: The CBI has moved the Karnataka High Court, seeking direction to the chief secretary to give approval for attachment of properties acquired by former minister Gali Janardhan Reddy and his family members in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, from the proceeds of illegal mining. Reddy recently quit the BJP and launched a new political party.

**Eight Maoists cadre surrender in Jharkhand**

Ranchi: Eight Maoists associated with CPI (Maoist) central committee members Mishir Besra surrendered before security forces here on Wednesday, the police said. All members of the banned outfit, including three women, who surrendered before officials of the Jharkhand police and CRPF are between 18 and 22 years of age, the police said. Mishir Besra alias Sagar Ji carries a bounty of Rs one crore on his head.

# 30-day flying ban on man who urinated on traveller

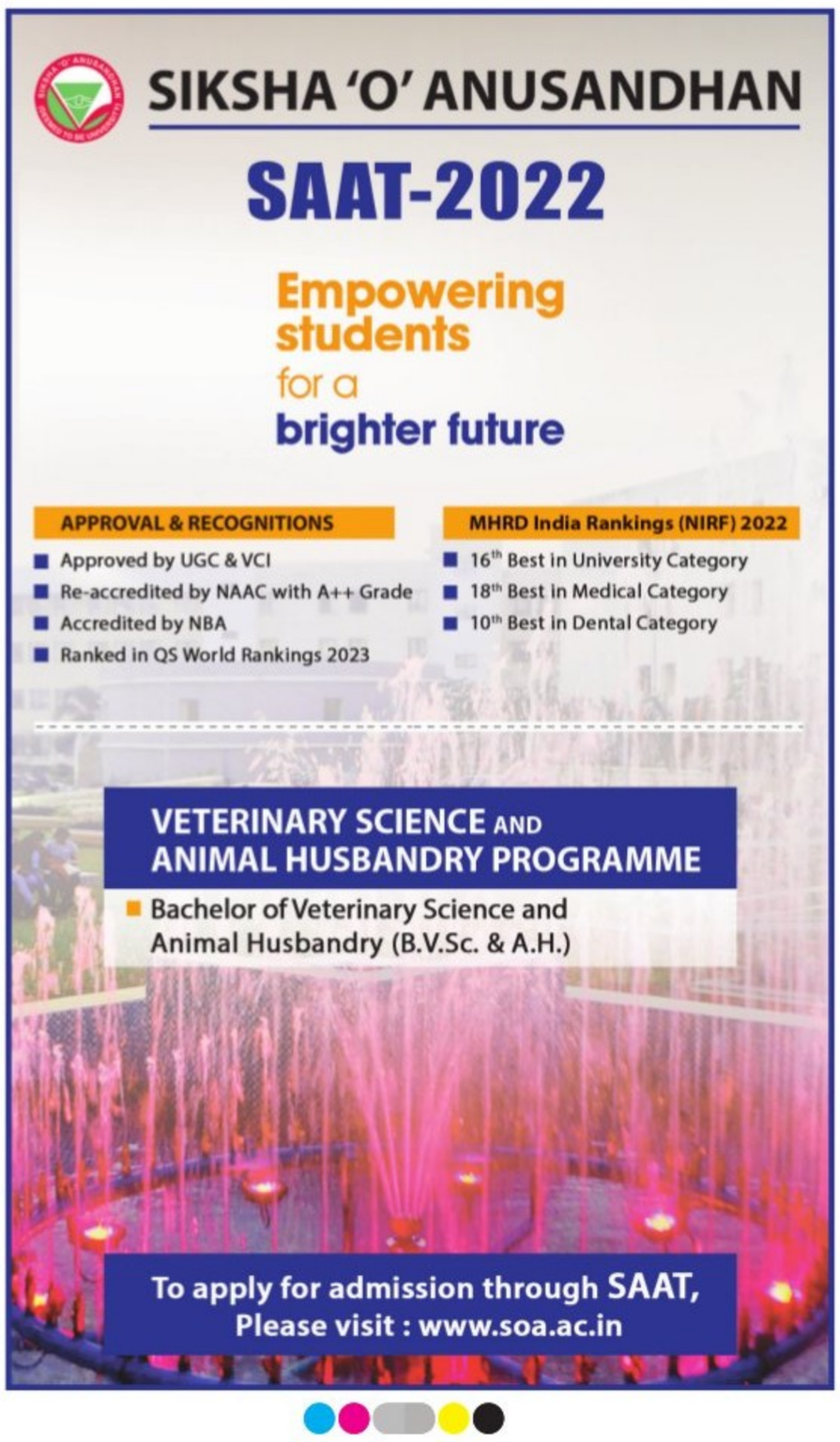
EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

AIR India on Wednesday imposed a 30-day flying ban on a male passenger who allegedly flashed and peed on a female co-passenger during a flight from New York to New Delhi on November 26, last year. He was allowed to leave the airport without any action that day. The incident, which took place on the business class of the Tata Group-operated flight, came to light on Tuesday.

However, netizens said the 30-day flying ban is too little and too late and slammed the airline for not sharing the details of the unruly passenger.

The airline responded saying a police complaint was filed and it is assisting the law enforcement and regulatory agencies.

Meanwhile, the DGCA has sought a report from the airline.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Gulikakala: 09:00 am to 10:30 am • Yamaganda: 03:00 am to 04:30 am

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MIN 16°C | MAX 27°C
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Sunrise 6.43 am
Sunset 6.06 pm
Moonrise 4.47 pm
Moonset 5.16 am



ON A MISSION

## BBMP to step up anti-rabies vax drive in all zones

Palike jabbed 63,324, carried out birth control measures on 32,626 strays

MOHAMMED YACOOB
@ Bengaluru

AFTER the recent dog bite case in RR Nagar zone, in which an eight-year-old child was badly bitten on the face, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has stressed that it will increase Anti-Rabies Vaccination (ARV) in all eight BBMP zones, to prevent infection. The Palike wants to intensify vaccination in 2023 as in April 2022, a six-year-old boy had died due to rabies in Yelahanka.

The Palike's animal husbandry department stated that it will attempt to increase animal birth control measures to reduce the stray dog population in BBMP limits.

"As per data, from April to December, the Palike vaccinated 63,324 dogs and carried out Animal Birth Control (ABC) measures on 32,626 stray and community dogs," said Dr Trilok Chandra, Special Commissioner, Health, Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike.

He stated that the Palike has written a letter to the Animal Welfare Board of India to grant permission for more agencies to increase animal birth control measures.

"In the corresponding year, BBMP conducted around 50,000 ABC and by March 2023, the department aims at maintaining consistency. If the Animal Welfare Board of India gives a nod to more NGOs and agencies, we can increase ABC numbers a bit more," Chandra added.

On the 6,000 dog bites in Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike limits till July 2022, BBMP Assistant Director Manjunath Shinde of the animal husbandry department noted that the case not only pertaining to stray dogs but also community and pet dogs.

Palike officials appeal to the public to avoid teasing dogs, throwing stones, littering garbage at street corners, and avoiding going near puppies as the young mother will be aggressive and may charge, and also about importance of the anti-rabies vaccination in avoiding infection following the dog bite.

**If the Animal Welfare Board of India gives a nod to more NGOs and agencies, we can increase ABC numbers a bit more**
— Dr Trilok Chandra, Special Commissioner, Health, BBMP

## WOMAN TOLD TO REMOVE JACKET, NOT SHIRT, AS IT BEEPED, CLARIFIES CISF

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

A day after a young woman alleged that security staffers at Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) made her remove her shirt during security screening on Tuesday night, a top Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) official said that this was done in a separate enclosure provided for scanning women and not in public view.

CCTV camera footage reveals that a woman frisking her made her remove the blue jeans jacket she was wearing as she could hear a beep.

"Central Industrial Security Force called the woman and asked her to explain why she put out a tweet. She told us that she was frustrated due to the hand baggage screening delay and so put out the tweet in an angry mood," the CISF official said.

### Tweets deleted

The official added that despite the tweets put out by the passenger, there is no plan to take action against her, legal or otherwise. Meanwhile, the woman has deleted all her tweets.

Giving details of the sequence of events as captured by CCTV cameras, the official said that security screening was on around 7.30 pm for the IndiGo flight to Ahmedabad (6E 6423), which had a 9 pm departure time.

"When the woman passed through the enclosure meant for women, the Central Industrial Security Force staffer who was frisking her could hear a beep from her jacket. Following that, the staffer asked her to remove it so that it could be scanned at the baggage scanner machine. Noticing that she was wearing only a camisole, the woman security officer asked her to wait inside the enclosure till she scanned and returned the jacket to her. The woman said she would be comfortable outside and opted to step out of the enclosure. She went to the open space where passengers were in a queue. The jacket was scanned and handed back to her," the official said.

Meanwhile, her hand baggage had to be opened and subjected to repeated scrutiny as she was carrying some restricted items. "This took about 3 to 4 minutes which made her irritable," he explained.

BMRCL MD Anjum Parwez and ADGP and Special Commissioner of Police (Traffic) Dr MA Saleem flag off an auto at MG Road Metro Station on Wednesday

## *Prepaid autos make debut at Namma Metro stations*

In a big boost to last-mile connectivity to Metro users, pre-fixed (prepaid) autorickshaw kiosks were opened at two Metro stations - MG Road and Cubbon Park - on Wednesday. It will be launched in three more stations shortly. A joint venture by the Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Ltd and the Bengaluru Traffic Police, BMRCL MD Anjum Parwez and ADGP and Special Commissioner of Police (Traffic), Bengaluru City, Dr M A Saleem jointly inaugurated the kiosks. The counters will operate from 7 am until 12.30 am next day.

"Fares will be as per the government order presently with a minimum of Rs 30 for first 2 km and Rs 15 thereafter for every km. The fares from 10 pm to 5 am is one-and-a-half times the normal fare," a release read. The facility will be extended to Banashankari, Baiyappanahalli and Nagasandra stations soon but they will have two kiosks each. A sugarcane juice joint was also opened at MG Road Station and four more are planned at Nadaprabhu Kempegowda, Nagasandra, Sir M Visvesaraya and Chickpet Metro Stations.

## A year on, guest lecturers say demands not met

DONNA EVA @ Bengaluru

WITH the dawn of the New Year, it's back to square one for guest lecturers. Almost a year after protesting for regularisation of their services, the situation is the same for them as confusion prevails.

It may be recalled that in January 2022, as many 14,000 guest lecturers had staged protests across the state. As more than 70 per cent of the faculty members, at both government first grade colleges and state universities are guest lecturers, the lecturers had demanded benefits at par with permanent lecturers, claiming that they put in almost the same number of hours.

Last year's government decision, however, turned out to be a double-edged sword. While the decision to double the salary of the guest lecturers was lauded by many, it also resulted in the sacking of 6,000 guest lecturers. "By doubling our wages, the government also doubled the number of our working hours which led to 6,000 guest lecturers losing their jobs. A permanent faculty member works for 16 hours a week, while guest lecturers work for 15 hours, but there is discrimination as far as benefits are concerned," Lokesh P C, state vice president of the Karnataka State Government First Grade Colleges' Guest Lecturers' Association said.

A year later, there seems to be a repeat of what happened last year. Currently, an indefinite protest has begun in Shikaripura against the Department of Collegiate Education's failure to intimate lectures on their status. "On Decemebr 31, they gave us verbal orders to continue in our posts. A few days ago, they invited applications for new guest faculty. The academic year began in September, so we do not understand why they are inviting applications in the middle of the academic year," a guest lecturer said.

The way that the government has gone about the process has also raised allegations that they are preventing the existing guest faculty to continue. "They have given very little time for us to submit documents and relevant certificates. Further, they have not relieved us of our duties nor sanctioned us leave to be able to procure the certificates," Lokesh said.

### DEPT TO BEGIN RECRUITMENT ONLINE

BENGALURU: The Department of Collegiate Education has announced that it will begin guest faculty recruitment through a counselling process.According to a circular released by the department, recruitment will be done through an online counselling process. Candidates will need to apply through the department website (dce.karnataka.gov.in). The last day of the recruitment is January 10. Counselling will take place between January 16 and January 25. The selected faculty will need to report to their respective colleges by February 1.

BBMP workers remove silt from a drain in Mahadevapura zone

## BBMP goes full throttle to remove silt from drains

MOHAMMED YACOOB
@ Bengaluru

AFTER floods wreaked havoc in Mahadevapura zone last year, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) has intensified the process of removing silt from every primary, secondary and tertiary drains in the zone to prevent future flooding.

According to sources, BBMP stormwater drain wing personnel commenced the process in December 2022.

"BBMP regularly carries out maintenance work. The aim is to clear silt and remove vegetation in drains to ensure there is free flow of water. If this work is done at the earliest, we can identify the choke points and fix them." said Dr K V Thrilok Chandra, Special Commissioner, Mahadevapura Zone, BBMP.

BBMP has also deployed tractors to clear the silt that is being removed. "We have identified quarry pits at Bommanahalli and Mitganahalli to dump the silt," said Malathi, Executive Engineer, SWD, Mahadevapura Zone.

Activists, however, raise doubts about the Palike's efforts to remove silt from stormwater drains.

"There is no coordination between those who remove the silt and the tractors that are meant to collect them. The silt is left along the roads for weeks if not months together. If it rains, the silt seeps into the drains. BBMP is more interested in giving out contracts. It does not execute the work properly," Sandeep Anirudhan, convenor, Citizens' Agenda for Bengaluru, alleged.

Ashok Mrutyunjaya, an Aam Aadmi Party member from Mahadevapura, said there was no transparency in the entire process. "We don't even know who the contractor is. The BBMP should display banners listing out every detail of the work — date of commencement, date of completion, the name of the agency implementing the work and so on," he added.

VIDEO WALL

## *Now, learn something as you cross GPO*

S LALITHA @ Bengaluru

BEGINNING January 1, people passing through the General Post Office (GPO) are being greeted by public interest messages in English and Kannada being beamed continuously on a huge video wall. Apart from social messages, the LED wall will also soon display realtime weather and pollution statistics and highlight the services of the Department of Post.

The department has entered into a tie-up with the Karnataka Philatelic Society (KPS) which will play the role of a knowledge partner.

Chief Postmaster General, Karnataka Circle, S Rajendra Kumar told *TNIE*, "Department of Post has released more than 3,000 postage stamps on various topics, including history and prominent personalities and national and international events. We will showcase all the stamps released in India and abroad by displaying it on the screen accompanied by information provided by KPS."

Since January 1, specific national and international days are being highlighted on the screen. With January 4 commemorated as "World Braille Day", details on Louis Braille and other aspects pertaining to the day were highlighted on the screen.

"Each day has a significance either nationally or internationally and we are showcasing that initially. We are also trying to get live feeds from the India Meteorological Department and Karnataka State Pollution Control Board shortly to display them here," Rajendra Kumar added. Future plans also include booking of advertisements through Media Post, he added. The wall has a specification of 5,550 nits brightness.

Apart from social messages, the LED wall will also display realtime weather and pollution statistics | EXPRESS

Jagannath Mani of KRS, a Bengalurean and Udupi-based Krishnaiah jointly supplied feed to the department.

"The habit of reading has dwindled. We are doing our best to share some knowledge we know on important events and personalities with others. We send photos of stamps along with relevant details by 6pm the previous evening on a common GPO Video Wall group so that it can be uploaded at 6 am daily. January 5 is National Bird Day and we have already dispatched details about it," Mani elaborated.

## Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

**05TH January: The current serious Venus-Saturn pattern encourages everyone who favours conventional relationships and is prepared to stick by their partners. It follows that it's a fine time for formal engagements, lasting marriages and all outings with old and trusted friends.**

**ARIES** (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
The main preoccupation over the current time is personal creativity. You need to express your deeply unique talents, and your main strategy should probably now be to go back and look at the way things were done in the past. You'll uncover clues as to what you should do in the present.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 21 - May 21)
It may be irritating to be tied to what friends have in mind, but unless you want to be a hermit, you will have to accept that others' feelings must come first. In love, you should abandon unrealistic expectations of what romance should or shouldn't be about.

**GEMINI** (May 22 - June 21)
Domestic relationships should be worked at. There's no point in blaming other people because such-and-such a thing may have gone wrong, or because you may not have got your way. The past is the past, and the future must be tackled with hope and courage.

**CANCER** (June 22 - July 23)
You will be unwilling to perform any task which doesn't suit your personal wishes and interests. You may therefore be a reluctant employee unless those in authority entrust you with taxing and interesting responsibilities. It's partly up to you, but also up to them!

**LEO** (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Home and family affairs really must take first place in your list of emotional priorities. Take some time out to try and understand what has been troubling relations, and offer them whatever moral support is required. You might do best to keep your doubts to yourself.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
If you're wondering where all the good luck has gone, hold on for just a little while longer. It might be that partners are due to have first bite of the cherry. And while you're making plans for the future, understand that the best to come out of the present time will be enhanced self-knowledge.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
You often feel undervalued and taken for granted, sometimes with good reason. Yet, now could be the perfect time to turn the tables on partners and make them see that you are to be taken seriously, and that your feelings are worth every bit as much as theirs.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You're still in the driving seat, so you should gain personally from much of what is going on. However, when life is moving your way you should make a determined effort to look after other people's interests as well as your own. They'll return the favour when the position is reversed.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
A mystery of sorts should soon be cleared up, but the answer may lie within rather than without. In other words, because of your own preconceptions, you have misinterpreted someone else's intentions. Your vivid imagination may be to blame, rather than awkward circumstances.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
A great deal depends on how you get on with other people, even at work. Emotional undercurrents and beliefs count for very much more than the facts. Even in business, partners seem to be influenced by the way things once were, rather than the way they are now.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
It's no use imagining that you're not ambitious. If you do give way to false humility then you'll doubtless miss out on a major opportunity. Push yourself forward and you may open the way to emotional fulfilment, together with applause and acclaim from your peers.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Sometimes it's an advantage being a dreamer, but not always. Your heart's desire lies a long way off - or does it? One thing you have to sort out is your continual tendency to imagine that the grass is always greener somewhere else. Try to live in the here and now for once!

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle ⬇

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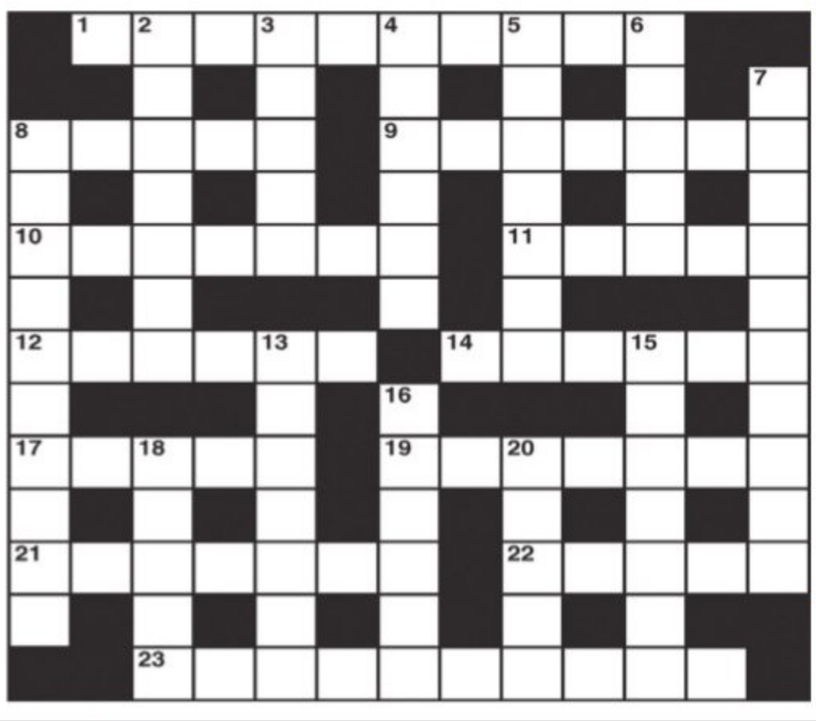

CROSS WORD

**ACROSS**
1 Speaker swallows one drink as a starter (10)
8 Possibly omits when wet (5)
9 Stops and fires (4,3)
10 Good man collecting new notes for capital cover (7)
11 Have an oral test? (5)
12 Not related (6)
14 He provides a new setting for the doctor (6)
17 Send money or return the watch (5)
19 It provides no latitude for the navigator (7)
21 Get into bad shape (7)
22 One studies images (5)
23 Become exhausted as route ends in detour (4,2,4)

**DOWN**
1 Object when put into torn clothing (7)
3 Entrances groups of spectators (5)
4 Stockings distributed only in the north and south (6)
5 A fitting suggestion (3,2,2)
6 They grow down from the torso (5)
7 Later chasing minors (10)
8 Ball can be made square (10)
13 Fail to lower (3,4)
15 Deserter's retreat? (3,4)
16 Dismissive order to a drummer perhaps (4,2)
18 He keeps far too much to himself (5)
20 Soldiers from Tunis (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

**Across:** 1 Expose, 4 Precis, 9 Respect, 10 Scour, 11 Throb, 12 Nonstop, 13 Part-payment, 18 Heave to, 20 Gaffe, 22 Camel, 23 Nankeen, 24 Shanty, 25 Mantis.

**Down:** 1 Errata, 2 Poser, 3 Sherbet, 5 Rosin, 6 Crouton, 7 Scraps, 8 Stand around, 14 Anaemia, 15 Magenta, 16 Checks, 17 Tennis, 19 Eliat, 21 Fleet.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

THE _____ (Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: CREPT ETHIC PLUNGE GOSSIP
Answer: The chef who created such unique filled-pastry desserts was a — "PIE-ONEER"

Venur police rescued five cattle heads that were being illegally transported to a slaughter house at Nadayi in Badagakaranduru village of Belthangady taluk early Wednesday morning

# STATE SEEKS 30L BOOSTER DOSES

## Places request for 25 lakh Covishield, 5 lakh Corbevax doses; no word on mixing vaccines

AKNISREE KARTHIK @ Bengaluru

THE state government has asked people to take booster doses at the earliest, however, the health department has run out of Covishield and Corbevax. As on Wednesday, the state had 6.87 lakh doses of Covaxin. Since a majority of people in the state have taken Covishield, they are now waiting for the booster dose to be available. There is a mixed reaction among people too — while some are waiting for the Covishield booster shot, some are approaching health centres and are ready to take Covaxin.

Those who opted for Covishield are given the same vaccine or the heterologous Corbevax. However, both Covishield and Corbevax are not available in most health centres.

An official from the government-run Bowring Hospital said they are also running short of stocks. "If the government allows mixing of vaccines, we can administer Covaxin to those who have received Covishield," the official said, adding that the Covaxin doses they have will expire by this month-end.

A member of the state's Technical Advisory Committee said there has been no discussion on mixing vaccines so far, and that people who have taken Covishield have to wait till the doses arrive. The member, however, added that mixing of vaccines can boost immunity by giving multiple ways for our immune system to identify the virus and act. But final results of clinical trials was not yet available to substantiate it.

Health and Family Welfare Commissioner D Randeep said there is no directive on mixing vaccines, and for now, the Union health ministry has permitted only Corbevax as a precaution/booster dose for all those individuals who have been vaccinated with either Covishield or Covaxin. "We have placed our request before the Centre for 25 lakh Covishield and 5 lakh Corbevax doses. Delivery is expected by this weekend. We have 6.87 lakh Covaxin doses," Randeep said.

### STATE'S HEALTH INFRA IMPROVED SIGNIFICANTLY: SUDHAKAR

Bengaluru : The healthcare infrastructure in the state has witnessed comprehensive development with many significant achievements, said Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar here on Wednesday. Citing National Family Health Survey - 5 (NFHS-5), Dr Sudhakar said, "the infant mortality rate has decreased from 21 to 19 per cent and neonatal mortality rate decreased from 16 to 14 percent. It is significant that 97 per cent of institutional deliveries have been recorded". He said that the state has effectively implemented schemes of the Union and state governments. "We stand first in outpatient tele-consultation with 61.99 lakh tele-consultations conducted till November", he said. "We are constructing 30-bed community-based health centres in the 100 most stressed Primary Health Centres (PHCs) at a cost of Rs 1,000 crore. Additionally, 43 PHCs will be converted into community health centres at a cost of Rs 44,832 lakh", Dr Sudhakar added. **ENS**

# Indian passenger from Japan tests Covid+ at KIA

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

A 63-year-old Indian-origin man travelling from Japan to Kerala, tested positive for Covid-19 on Tuesday at Kempegowda International Airport (KIA).

Japan is one of the six high-risk countries for Covid-19, for which the Karnataka government has made negative RT-PCR and home isolation mandatory, even for asymptomatic passengers. China, Hong Kong, Singapore, South Korea and Thailand are the remaining five high-risk countries.

The passenger was one of the 2 per cent international travellers who underwent Covid testing at the airport, and was later found to be positive. Of a total of 177 passengers tested at KIA on Tuesday, only one passenger tested positive for Covid. There were 26 international flights which landed in Bengaluru, with a footfall of 5,419 passengers.

The passenger's sample was sent for genomic surveillance to study for any variant which can be a cause for concern. The Bengaluru Medical College and Research Institute, which is performing genomic surveillance for air passengers, received reports for the first group of people.

Surveillance reports showed one case of BF.7 variant found in a passenger travelling from Germany, while BA2.75 and XBB variants were found most prevalent in all the samples. The next batch of samples is to be sent this week.

Meanwhile, Bowring and Lady Curzon Hospital, the only designated Covid hospital in Bengaluru, saw three admissions in the Covid ward on Wednesday. Dr Kemparaj T, medical superintendent, Bowring Hospital, said no air passengers were admitted to the hospital. All three patients are locals and above the age of 70. One of the patients suffered from symptoms of Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI) and was admitted to the ICU. The remaining two showed mild symptoms of fever and cold, and were admitted in the ward.

**COVID NUMBERS**

| | Bengaluru | Karnataka |
|---|---|---|
| ACTIVE CASES | 226 | 309 |
| NEW CASES | 24 | 34 |

(As on January 4, 2023)

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Dr Kemparaj T, medical superintendent, Bowring Hospital

# HC stays 5% cap on service charge for Ola, Uber, Rapido autos

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka High Court on Wednesday stayed the notification issued by the Transport department, fixing 5 per cent cap on the collection of service charge by aggregators Uber, Ola and Rapido for autorickshaw service through their platforms.

Justice CM Poonacha pronounced the order on pleas filed by ANI Technologies Private Limited (Ola) and Uber India Systems Private Limited, challenging the notification dated November 25, 2022.

The court said it is clear that the state government, while issuing the notification, was required to take into consideration the Motor Vehicle Aggregator Guidelines 2020, which has dealt with the entire gamut of operations of transport aggregators. However, it is clear that the notification was issued under Section 67 of the Motor Vehicles Act, and did not take into consideration the Motor Vehicle Aggregator Guidelines 2020, the court said, giving reasons for the stay of the notification.

The transport department issued the impugned notification after the court passed an interim order on October 14, 2022, permitting the petitioners to levy 10 per cent additional charge over and above the fares fixed by the state government, through a notification dated November 6, 2021, and the applicable GST for offering autorickshaw services through their platforms, till the government fixes fares in accordance with law.

Senior counsel appearing for one of the petitioners contended that the impugned notification did not take into consideration relevant factors and guidelines issued by the central government. Therefore, the restriction on service charges is unreasonable, he argued.

In a counter, the advocate-general contended that the state has the power to fix the fare for road transport under Section 67 of the Motor Vehicles Act, and the petitioners did not furnish any material to show the cost incurred for activity carried out by them to seek a higher fee.

# Doggo cop's last rites held with state honours

Ram, a Doberman Pinscher, helped police in around 250 cases

PRAVEEN KUMAR @ Bengaluru

THE Ramanagara district police on Wednesday lost one of its most admired members of the dog squad, Ram, who died after a heart attack. Born on February 8, 2017, Ram was a Doberman Pinscher who helped police in around 250 cases, of which 30 cases were heinous ones like murder.

In 2021, Ram helped the police solve four major murder cases. One of the cases was of an aged woman who was killed by her grandson. Ram, who was part of the three-dog squad of the Ramanagara district police, was deputed on crime detection, while the other two are for narcotics and the bomb squad.

The Ramanagara team bid a final goodbye with full state honours and performed his last rites at the Channapatna District Armed Reserve parade ground. His handler AR Roopesh was inconsolable. Ram had also participated in a state-level police duty meet.

"In 2021, the dog helped solve a murder case reported in Akkur police station. The accused had escaped to Bengaluru. But before leaving, he visited his house. Ram helped, which led to his arrest. In another case in Kaggalipura police limits, a man had killed his wife and threw the knife inside a tank. The police dog helped its team to find the knife, following which the accused was arrested.

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**
**EDUCATION & WELFARE INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, VIJAYAWADA**

e-procurement Tender Notice

**NIT No: 122 to 138/MD/APEWIDC/VJA/2022-23, Dated: 04.01.2023**

NIT No: 122 to 138, downloading commencement on 07.01.2023 and closing date may be viewed in e-procurement.gov.in

1. Tenders are invited from the Original Equipment Manufactures (OEM)/ Original Equipment Manufacturing firms / Companies for various products / items and Services under Mana Badi:Nadu-Nedu Programme Phase-II in various Packages for Procurement of Green Chalk Boards, Drinking Water Purifiers / systems, Outdoor Play Equipment, Furniture (Kids Chair, Moon Table), Double Skin powder coated GI openable / casement single rebate Windows, and Providing the Consultancy Service for Third Party Quality Audit (TPQA) products / items for Govt. Schools (Educational Institutions) in Andhra Pradesh.

Further details may be viewed at **http://tender.apeprocurement.gov.in** Contact No.**08645 295758.**

**Note:** 1. Changes / amendment if any will only be communicated through above e-procurement platform.

2. Reverse auction applicable as per G.O.Ms.No.67, dated 16.08.2019 of Water Resources (Reforms) Department and G.O No:79, Dated: 25.08.2020 of the Finance (HR.V-TFR) Dept.

**Sd/- Managing Director, APEWIDC, Vijayawada**

**HAJ COMMITTEE OF INDIA**
(Statutory Body Constituted under the Act of Parliament No. 35 of 2002) Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India.
Haj House, 7-A, M.R.A. Marg (Palton Road), Mumbai – 400 001.

HC-02/157/2022/ Date 03.01.2023

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR FILLING UP THE POST OF DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (ADMINISTRATION) AND DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (OPERATIONS) ON DEPUTATION BASIS.**

Applications are invited for the post of Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Administration) and Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Operations) in Haj Committee of India, Mumbai on deputation basis in Level-11 of the pay matrix as per 7th Central Pay Commission Pay Structure from Central Government / State Government employees possessing prescribed age, qualification and experience on the closing date of application. Notice / Detailed advertisements in this regard are uploaded on website **https://hajcommittee.gov.in.**

Advance copy of application may be sent to the undersigned **latest by 15.01.2023**. Further, application through proper channel (forwarding letter addressed to Haj Committee of India by the forwarding authority / cadre controlling authority alongwith all enclosures) must reach the undersigned within 3 weeks from the date of publication of this notification.

**Sd/-**
**Chief Executive Officer**

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NOTICE INVITING TENDER

| Tender No. | Material Description | Due date |
|---|---|---|
| 222313 006024 | Procurement of Hydrogen Peroxide 50% for Unit-I & II | 20.01.2023 |
| 222313 006034 | Procurement of Sodium Sulphate for Unit-I | 21.01.2023 |
| 222333 000497 | Procurement of Gypsum | 20.01.2023 |
| E-Mail | 222313006024; 6034 – purchase.rawmatl@tnpl.co.in 222333000497 – purchase.lsfm@tnpl.co.in | |

Corrigendum if any will be issued in TNPLWebsite & NIC Portal only. Detailed Terms & conditions are available in tender document at our websites: **www.tnpl.com/ www.tenders.tn.gov.in, www.tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app**

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**RAICHUR POWER CORPORATION LIMITED**
(YERMARUS THERMAL POWER STATION)
CIN : U40101KA2009PLC049582

No.: KPCL/2022-23/PM/WORK_INDENT 13256/CALL-2 Date: 02.01.2023

**TENDER NOTIFICATION**
(Through e-procurement portal only)

RPCL invites tender through GoK e-procurement portal **https://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** under "WORKS" category for the work of "Online safety valve floating and pressure setting by trevi test of unit # 1 & 2, 800 mw boiler for the year 2022-23". Last Date of receipt of tender: 09.01.2023 at 16:30Hrs. Further details can be obtained from the office of the Executive Engineer(M-1), RPCL-YTPS, Yeramarus - 584 134, Mobile: +91 94486 49093 / 94806 82893. Website: eem3rpcl@gmail.com.

**KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED**
(KALINADI HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT)
CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919

No:KPCL/2022-23/PS/WORK_INDENT 13145/CALL 2 Dated: 31.12.2022

**SHORT TERM BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION**
(Two cover system) (Through e-procurement portal only)

Item wise tender is invited through e-Procurement Portal for the Work of **"Retrofitting 2 nos Energy Meters for LTAC Panel of Shimsha HEP Compatible with Existing EMS"** from the Bidders/ Manufacturers/ Authorise Dealer/ Agency shall have proven experience in the field of Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Energy Meters who having adequate experience in execution of similar works and Financial Turnover at Shimsha Hydro Power Station. **EMD: Rs.2,980/-.** Last date for submission/ uploading the bid: **16.01.2023 @ 17:00 Hrs.** Work completion period: **120 days.** The intending bidder can download the tender document from e-procurement website **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** and submit their bids through e-procurement platform. Also NIT and other details can be obtained on **KPCL's website www.kpcl.karnataka.gov.in** Further details can be had from **The Executive Engineer (O&M) SHIMSHA/KPCL,** Shimshapura - 571430, Malavalli Tq, Mandya Dist, Mob: 094482 90735.

**BANGALORE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE BOARD**

**INVITATION FOR TENDER** (Only through e-procurement portal)

BWSSB invites tenders from registered Agencies for the following works.

**Office of the Chief Engineer (East), 6th Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bangalore-560 009.**

| Sl. No. | Division | IFT Number | Amount put to tender / EMD Amount | Last date & time for receipt of tender | Date & time for opening of tender |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | East-2 | BWSSB/EE(E)-2/PB/2119/ 2022-23 Date: 02.01.2023 | Rs. 23,85,390/- / Rs. 50,000/- | 19.01.2023 upto 3.00 pm | 21.01.2023 after 4.00 pm |
| 2 | | BWSSB/EE(E)-2/PB/2119/ 2022-23 Date: 02.01.2023 | Rs. 13,76,308/- / Rs. 34,450/- | | |
| 3 | | BWSSB/EE(E)-2/PB/2119/ 2022-23 Date: 02.01.2023 (Reserved for SC Category) | Rs. 23,75,761/- / Rs. 25,000/- | | |
| 4 | | BWSSB/EE(E)-2/PB/2119/ 2022-23 Date: 02.01.2023 | Rs. 25,07,345/- / Rs. 50,100/- | | |
| 5 | | BWSSB/EE(E)-2/PB/2119/ 2022-23 Date: 02.01.2023 (Reserved for ST Category) | Rs. 17,96,383/- / Rs. 22,460/- | | |

Sd/- Executive Engineer (East)-2

**Office of the Chief Engineer (South), 7th Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bangalore-560 009.**

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| 6 | South-2 | BWSSB/EES2/PB/621/ 2022-23 Date: 31.12.2022 | Rs. 20,28,695/- / Rs. 40,600/- | 16.01.2023 upto 4.00 pm | 18.01.2023 after 4.00 pm |
| 7 | | BWSSB/EES2/PB/623/ 2022-23 Date: 31.12.2022 (Reserved for SC Category) | Rs. 27,80,371/- / Rs. 27,900/- | | |
| 8 | | BWSSB/EES2/PB/625/ 2022-23 Date: 31.12.2022 (Reserved for ST Category) | Rs. 17,90,387/- / Rs. 22,400/- | | |

Sd/- Executive Engineer (South)-2

**Office of the Chief Engineer (North), 2nd Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G. Road, Bangalore-560 009.**

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| 9 | Central | BWSSB/EEC/PB/2656/ 2022-23 Date: 04.01.2023 (Reserved for SC Category) | Rs. 19,13,085/- / Rs. 23,950/- | 12.01.2023 upto 5.00 pm | 13.01.2023 after 5.01 pm |
| 10 | | BWSSB/EEC/PB/2658/ 2022-23 Date: 04.01.2023 | Rs. 21,13,091/- / Rs. 50,000/- | | |
| 11 | | BWSSB/EEC/PB/2660/ 2022-23 Date: 04.01.2023 | Rs. 15,55,310/- / Rs. 38,900/- | | |

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Central)

The details regarding participation in the tendering process and tender can be obtained by logging on to **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** For further details contact the above signed office during working hours. DIPR/CP/3873/AKAR/22-23

**IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE 1st ADDL CJM AT BENGALURU**
**C. Misc. No. 588/2021**

**BETWEEN: Sri Narayanappa,** S/o Late Muniyappa, aged about 58 years, R/at. Gundur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore....**PETITIONER**

**AND: The Thasildar,** Bangalore East Taluk, K.R. Puram, Bangalore....**RESPONDENT**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Whereas, the Petitioner named above filed the above petition seeking direction to the Thasildar, Bangalore East Taluk, to register the death of the Petitioner father by name Muniyappa, S/o Late Channappa, who died on 25-10-1980, at Gundur Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore District- 560036.

Any person interested and having any objection in this matter, may appear before 1st ACJM court at Bengaluru, in **11-00 AM** on **21/02/2023** to which date the case is posted for hearing.

Given under my hand and seal the court this 29/12/2022.

By order of the court, Sheristedar, Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore.

Advocate for Petitioner: **M. Subramanya** No. 71, 1st Main, 3rd cross, Thyagaraja Layout, Hosakote Town, Bangalore Rural District-562114.

**KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED**
(A Government of Karnataka Under Taking)
Executive Engineer KBJNL JBC Division No.2 Bheemarayanagudi.
Tq: Shahapur Dist: Yadgiri Email Id: eejbc2@gmail.com

NO. KBJNL/JBC Divn-2/PB/2022-23/1089 Date: 02.01.2023

**SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION**

**(ONLY THROUGH ELECTRONIC TENDER SYSTEM)**

On behalf of the Managing Director, KBJNL. Bangalore, the Executive Engineer KBJNL, JBC Division No.2 Bheemarayanagudi. Tq: Shahapur Dist: Yadgir invites in two Covers system from the eligible Contractors for work mentioned in the table below.The blank tenders can be obtained through www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in and can be submitted through electronic tender box.

**STATEMENT SHOWING THE DETAILS OF THE WORKS PUT TO E-TENDERING**

1.Work details: Indent No- 23426, 21716. 2) Amount Put to tender: Max Amt Rs.140.45 Lakhs , Min Amt Rs.73.29 Lakhs 3) The contractor can have access to the electronic document, i.e Tender Schedules, bid documents and other documents in the website http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in on payment of tender processing fee (non-refundable): From 04.01.2023 at 11:30AM 4) The last date & time for submission of electronic documents through e-portal: 13.01.2023 upto 17.00 Hrs. 5) Date & time for opening of electronic document first (Technical bid) 17.01.2023 @11.30 Hrs. 6) The electronic document second (financial bid) of pre-qualified contractor will opened on 25.01.2023 @ 11.30 Hrs or After approval of Technical bid. 7) For more information contact details: Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL, JBC Division No.2, Bheemarayangudi of Shahapur Taluka, Yadgir Dist. 8.Website http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

NOTE: - Further information may be had from the office of the undersigned during office hours or from http:www.eprocurement.Karnataka.gov.in.

**SD/- Executive Engineer, KBJNL, JBC, Division.No-2, Bheemarayanagudi.**

**DIP/Yadagiri/395/K.S.M.C&A 2022-23**

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank
Syndicate
Padmanabhanagar II Branch - No.3, Ground Floor, M K Puttalingaiah Road, Opp D G Hospital, Padmanabhanagar, Bangalore - 560070.
Mob: 080 26691826, 9449860393, Email:cb10676@canarabank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Canara Bank under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **21.09.2022** calling upon the borrower **Mr. Arif Ulla S/o Madar Sab and Mrs. Naseeba W/o Arif Ulla** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs.46,66,049.33 (Rupees Forty Six Lakhs Sixty Six Thousand Forty Nine and Paisa Thirty Three Only)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule, 2002 on this **3rd Day of January 2023.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **CANARA BANK Padmanabhanagar II Branch** for an amount of **Rs.47,94,899.64 (Rupees Forty Seven Lakhs Ninety Four Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Nine and Paisa Sixty Four Only)** and interest thereon.

**The Borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.**

**Description of the Immovable Property**

**Schedule "A" Property :** (Description of the property on which Apartment is constructed) :

**Item No. 1 :** All that Piece and Parcel of the immovable property bearing No. Sy No. 135, Situated at Doddathogur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk measuring 12 Guntas, out of total extent measuring 2 Acres 20 Guntas : and Bounded on : **East By :** Remaining portion of land in Sy no. 45, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Remaining portion of land in Sy No.135 and **South by :** Remaining portion of land in Sy No.135.

**Item No.2 :** All that Piece and Parcel of the immovable property bearing No. Sy No. 135, Situated at Doddathogur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk measuring 17 Guntas, out of total extent measuring 2 Acres 20 Guntas; and Bounded on : **East By :** Land in Sy No. 44 and 45 in Chikkathogur Village, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Road and **South by :** Remaining portion of land in Sy No.135 owned by M/S N D Developers Pvt. Ltd, A private Limited Company, Having its office at No.398, 1st Floor, 7th Cross, Mico-Layout, BTM 2nd Stage, Bangalore - 76, Represented herein by their General Power of Attorney Holders, M/s Suvasthu Estates(p) Ltd, Bangalore.

**Item No.3 :** All that Piece and Parcel of the immovable property bearing No. Sy No. 135, Situated at Doddathogur Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk measuring 05 Guntas, out of total extent measuring 2 Acres 20 Guntas ; and Bounded on : **East By :** Road, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Portion of Sy No. 135 belonging to Siddagangamma and **South by :** Property of Narayanappa.

**Schedule"B" Property : (Description of Undivided share of land agreed to be coveyed) :** 680 Sq. Ft. of undivided share, rights, title and interest in the Schedule "A"Property, which is the corresponding undivided share of land and common areas, in respect of Schedule"C" Apartment unit.

**Schedule"C"Property : (Description of the apartment unit agreed to be conveyed) :** All that piece and parcel of immovable property comprising one Apartment unit, ie., Flat No.G-02 situated in ground Floor, "B" Block measuring a super built-up area of 1240 Sq.Ft., 1BHK+2T(Which is also inclusive of balconies and a proportionate share in the common areas), with one Covered Parking Space in the Basement/Surface Floor, in the residential apartment building known as **" Astoria Park"** constructed on the Schedule A Property and Bounded on For Schedule C Property i.e., Flat No. G-02, Block-B, Ground Floor, **ASTORIA PARK : East By :** Entrance, Corridor/Passage, Meter Board & Then Flat No.B-G-004, **West by :** Balcony, Garden/Open to Sky & Then Private Property, **North by :** Flat No.B-G-003 and **South by :** Passage & Then Flat No.B-G-001.

DATE: 03.01.2023
PLACE: Bangalore

Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

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QuoteExpress **YOU CAN'T WAIT FOR INSPIRATION. YOU HAVE TO GO AFTER IT WITH A CLUB** › JACK LONDON

Lingayat Coordination Committee national convenor Avinash Bhushikar said a massive convention will be held in Mumbai on January 29, demanding a separate religion status for the community. Bhushikar said the rally will be organised at Azad Maidan in Mumbai where lakhs of people are expected to attend

# SIDDU'S 'PUPPY' JIBE: CM SAYS WILL WORK LIKE A FAITHFUL DOG

## Bommai says Siddaramaiah will be given a fitting reply in the Assembly polls

**PRAMODKUMAR VAIDYA** @Ballari

CONGRESS Legislative Party leader Siddaramaiah's remark calling Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai "a puppy who shivers before Prime Minister Narendra Modi" kicked up a huge row on Wednesday with top BJP leaders criticising the former CM and demanding his apology.

Reacting to Siddaramaiah's remark, Bommai said the Congress leader will be given a fitting reply by people in the upcoming Assembly elections.

"The remark shows the persona of the Congress leader. A dog is a faithful animal and it is doing its job faithfully. I will serve faithfully for the sake of people. I have not divided society as Siddaramaiah did. We have given happiness and not misfortune and we do not do such things," he told reporters here on Wednesday.

Questing track record of the Congress leader, Bommai said Siddaramaiah could not stand before Manmohan Singh, the most polite Prime Minister, out of fear. "He didn't bring a single paise from the Centre to Karnataka. After becoming Prime Minister, Modi made special contributions like 6,000 km of highway to Karnataka, which is a record in the post-independence period," he added.

"Modi has given approval to the Bengaluru-Mysuru highway project, Mangaluru and Karwar ports and clearance for the Kalasa-Banduri project. In the coming day, the Upper Krishna project will be declared as a national project and grants will be released. The Smart City Mission has been implemented in all major cities. These things were not there during the UPA regime. All the important projects are given by Modi, who is like a 'Kamadhenu'."

On Siddaramaiah inviting him to an open debate, the chief minister said there is no bigger and sacred forum other than the Vidhana Soudha. "But when the house was in session, they did not discuss such matters, but made political statements outside. The house will meet again in January-February and everything will be discussed there." Bommai said the opposition leader has developed a habit of making politically motivated statements which will not be having any takers.

Meanwhile, KPCC President D K Shivakumar claimed that he was not aware of his collegue's remark. "I have a dog at home. We need dogs to safeguard us from thieves. We believe a dog is like Lord Narayana and it is my favourite animal," he said.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and Transport Minister B Sriramulu welcome Union Road Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari in Bengaluru

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>
> Basavaraj Bommai, Chief Minister

### BJP LEADERS SLAM SIDDARAMAIAH

Bengaluru: Top BJP leaders on Wednesday slammed Congress Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah for calling Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai a "puppy", and demanded that he tender an apology for insulting the chief minister's post.

Siddaramaiah's remark at a public meeting on Wednesday drew widespread condemnation from BJP leaders, including Home Minister Araga Jnanendra, Industry Minister **Murugesh Nirani**, PWD Minister CC Patil and Agriculture Minister BC Patil. Nirani said Siddaramiah, who had held top posts, should not have spoken like that, and he should apologise.

### 'WHY CONG LEADERS RUN BEHIND RAHUL'

Chikballapur: Health and Family Welfare Minister **Dr K Sudhakar** said being a former chief minister, Congress leader Siddaramaiah should not have made such a comment. "Did Siddaramaiah see the CM shivering before the PM. Modi is a senior leader and PM of the nation. Our culture is to respect seniors and their position. All leaders will pay their respects to the PM," he said here on Wednesday. Sudhakar also wondered why Congress leaders run behind Rahul Gandhi and what position he holds. "After Mallikarjuna Kharge become AICC president, Siddaramaiah has lost in all respects," he added.

ILLEGAL MINING

# CBI moves HC for consent to attach Reddy's properties

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** @Bengaluru:

THE Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) moved the Karnataka High Court, seeking direction to the chief secretary to give approval for attachment of properties acquired by former minister Gali Janardhan Reddy and his family members in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, from the proceeds of illegal mining.

Reddy recently quit the BJP and launched a new political party.

In its representation dated August 30, 2022, the CBI submitted the proposal before the chief secretary for consent to attach the properties acquired by Reddy and his family under Sections 3, 4 and 6 of the Criminal Law (Amendment) Ordinance, 1994, in relation to the crime registered in 2012 under the Prevention of Corruption Act, MMDR Act and Karnataka Forest Act. It was in compliance with the Supreme Court order on illegal mining.

The CBI chargesheet filed before the Special Court stated that Reddy and others allegedly conspired to carry out large-scale illegal mining in Ballari and surrounding areas, and caused wrongful loss of Rs 198 crore to the exchequer by illegally exporting 6.05 lakh tonne of iron ore. The inquiry found that Reddy had started disposing of the properties to evade the law, and hence, it submitted a representation, seeking consent to attach properties worth Rs 19.94 crore. It is not considered by the government yet. The properties were in the name of Reddy, his wife and his companies.

According to the prosecution, the value of the properties was Rs 65.05 crore in 2015. After continued efforts, the CBI traced 219 properties worth Rs 17.14 crore acquired by them in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana.

The CBI reportedly knew that Reddy was making hectic efforts to dispose of some properties in Kurnool, Hyderabad and Ranga Reddy districts. Soon after this, it submitted a representation to the Ranga Reddy district registrar to abstain from registering any documents in respect of the properties sought to be attached.

The petition is yet to come up for hearing.

> **Reddy and others allegedly conspired to carry out large-scale illegal mining in Ballari and surrounding areas, and caused wrongful loss of Rs 198 crore** – CBI chargesheet

### REDDY TO ANNOUNCE PARTY MANIFESTO AFTER SANKRANTI

Bengaluru: Mining baron Gali Janardhan Reddy, who's tour of various districts is in full swing, announced on Wednesday that he will announce his Kalyana Rajya Pragati Paksha (KRPP) party manifesto and probable candidates after January 16. "Given the response I have been receiving from people, I am confident that I can show the strength of KRPP," he told reporters in Koppal while replying to Congress leader Siddaramaiah's reported remark that no regional outfits launched in Karnataka have stood the test of time. Reddy and his wife Aruna Lakshmi have also been visibly trying to woo Muslim and Kuruba communities from Gangavathi to Ballari Assembly segments as soon as they launched the party, apparently targeting the traditional vote bank of the Congress. Reddy has also been cosying up to second-rung leaders in the Kalyana Karnataka Region and his birthday, slated to be held in Gangavati on January 11, is expected to give him a breakthrough. His former aide and Transport Minister B Sriramulu had stated that Reddy's KRPP will make no dent in the BJP. Senior BJP leaders are also of the same opinion believing that KRPP will instead eat into the Congress vote share, BJP sources said. As the ruling BJP, led by Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, is facing anti-incumbency, the party's prospects in the 2023 Assembly polls are not bright, a leader said. But with regional political outfits such as JD(S), the SDPI, AIMIM and AAP among others likely to garner considerable 'secular votes', the BJP stands a chance to form the government once again in 2023, observed a political pundit

– Devaraj B Hirehalli

# Shah puts onus on Vokkaliga ministers to deliver

**K SHIVA KUMAR** @ Mysuru:

UNION Home Minister Amit Shah's visit to Karnataka, including the Vokkaliga heartland of Mandya, may have brought new vigour among BJP cadres, but the master strategist's attack on the JDS, calling it a "corrupt family party", has put the onus on BJP's Vokkaliga leaders to deliver the goods in the assembly elections.

Shah started groundwork for the election, setting party leaders a target of at least 35 seats in the Vokkaliga-dominated Old Mysuru region. This has rattled them, as it will test their mettle and make them accountable.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai's 29-minister cabinet has seven Vokkaligas, including R Ashoka, C N Ashwath Narayan, K Gopalaiah, K Sudhakar, S T Somashekar, K C Narayana Gowda and Araga Jnanendra. Of them, six are from Old Mysuru, while Ashoka and Ashwath have been deputy chief ministers. The BJP has rewarded the community with plum portfolios and also given them a lion's share of cabinet berths, after Lingayats.

Shah also put an end to speculation of adjustment with the JDS, clarifying there will be no truck with the regional party. The BJP high command has given its leaders the responsibility of loading the charge to score a decisive win in this belt, which has been a battleground for the JDS and Congress.

The party wants the ministers to play up the Vokkaliga Development Corporation, inauguration of the 108-ft Kempe Gowda statue near the airport, and increase reservation for Vokkaligas. Shah, who wants to consolidate 50 per cent of voters at the booth level, has give the leaders a free hand to use the tricks and resources at their command.

BJP is eyeing 130 seats, as chanted by state president Nalin Kumar Kateel, and winning even the magic number of 113 will give the party a fillip in a big election year, especially with Lok Sabha polls in 2024.

A senior leader felt that Shah is targeting JDS in Mandya to assert that the BJP is looking at organic growth, and the regional party will not be its B-team, as maintained by the Congress. He said it is time the BJP makes inroads and cuts into the JDS and Congress vote banks.

BJP leader Shivanna said commissioning of MySugar factory, setting up Mandya University and meeting the demands of sugarcane growers will definitely give it mileage.

Political commentator Muzaffar Assadi said Vokkaligas are not the core base of the BJP and have not leant towards Hindutva politics. However, Shah has set his ministers the target to raise the pitch and attempt to replace H D Deve Gowda as the Vokkaliga icon.

CLP leader Siddaramaiah and KPCC president D K Shivakumar at a Congress rally in Turuvekere, Tumakuru district, on Wednesday

# Cong leaders put up united front at rally

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** @Tumakuru

KARNATAKA Pradesh Congress Committee president D K Shivakumar on Wednesday listed out some of the leaders who jumped ship to the Congress, and said the political polarisation ahead of the 2023 Assembly elections will be in favour of the Congress.

Addressing a party rally in Turuvekere here, where Congress leaders put up a united front, he gave a call to BJP and JD(S) workers "not to waste their time" in those parties, but join the Congress. "We will treat them with dignity like old timers in the party," he promised.

He said leaders, including Madhu Bangarappa, Manohar in Kolar, Konareddy, Gubbi MLA S R Srinivas, Thirthalli Manjunath Gowda, Ramesh, Jeevijaya and YSV Datta have joined the Congress ahead of the polls to strengthen the party.

"These are the leaders who could assess the political future in the state. The Congress has been heralding a bright future in the state whereas the BJP government has been sinking. Our internal survey has given 136 seats to the Congress and 60 to the BJP," he claimed.

"The BJP's achievement is to get the resignation of former chief minister B S Yediyurappa and making him break down in tears. If at all the BJP had given good governance they would not have done so," Shivakumar said.

He also took potshots at BJP state president Nalin Kumar Kateel for telling BJP workers to focus on 'love jihad' rather than development.

Congress Legislative Party leader Siddaramaiah also spoke at the rally.

### Cong Bus Yatra to start from Belagavi

Belagavi: To garner support to topple the BJP government in the state in the upcoming Assembly election, the Congress is all set to kickstart its bus yatra from Veera Soudha in Belagavi on January 11. At a press conference on Wednesday, former minister Basavaraj Rayareddy said the Congress has launched a 'BJP hatao' movement in Karnataka. After the rally, public meetings will be held in Chikkodi and Belagavi on the same day. After Belagavi, the bus yatra will go to Vijayanagar, Koppal, Bagalkote, Koppal, Gadag, Haveri and other parts of North Karnataka. **ENS**

POLITICAL THEATRE

### SMK to step back from politics

Bengaluru: Former CM and senior BJP leader SM Krishna indicated that he will be no longer take part in party activities. At a time when the BJP is trying to build its base in Old Mysuru region, Krishna, who has a strong hold here, is stepping back from politics. The dominant Vokkaliga leader, who is aged around 90, wields considerable influence in Old Mysuru region, especially Mandya. Krishna told reporters that he will give suggestions only if party leaders seek. Asked if he was sidelined by BJP in Mandya, Krishna said when he is retiring from politics, there is no question of him being sidelined. "This is my personal decision and I want to step back. This also means it is irrelevant to say I am being sidelined," he said. **ENS**

### Probe on in bizman suicide case: Araga

Shivamogga: Home Minister Araga Jnanendra said a thorough investigation is under way in the businessman Pradeep suicide case, and MLA Aravind Limbavali, who has been named as an accused, cannot be arrested just for the sake of the Congress. Talking to media persons here on Wednesday, Jnanendra said Limbavali will be interrogated as per the FIR. "Whether the person is an MLA or a common man, the law will take its own course," he said. **ENS**

# Girls from mutt hostel say no sexual assault

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** @Chitradurga

AS many as 103 girls, who were staying at the Akkamahadevi hostel run by the Murugha Mutt and studying at mutt-run schools, have reported that pontiff Dr Shivamurthy Murugha Sharanaru has not committed any sexual assault on them.

Based on a complaint from two minor girls alleging sexual assault by the then head of the Murugha Mutt Dr Shivamurthy Murugha Sharanaru, a POCSO complaint was registered at Nazarbad police station after which it was transferred to Chitradurga Rural police station. The pontiff was arrested on September 1 last year from the mutt.

The Chitradurga district child protection unit immediately got the children released from the hostel and sent them to their respective districts.

The Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights directed the respective districts administrations to conduct counselling of the girls and book cases immediately if they report any sexual assault. So, the respective district child protection units conducted counselling thrice of 46 girls in Chitradurga district, one in Bengaluru, 14 in Davangere, two in Dharwad, three in Bagalkot, 17 in Ballari, three in Raichur, one in Koppal, five in Shivamogga and six in Belagavi. However, no child accused the pontiff of sexual assault. The children said they did not face any such things, said a source from the district child protection unit in Chitradurga. The report has been submitted to The Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights.

Meanwhile, the partial chargesheet filed by the Chitradurga Rural police states that the two minor girls in the first POCSO case, who were initially reluctant for medical examination, later got themselves examined. The report by the chief medical officer of the district hospital, Chitradurga, states that there was no sexual penetration.

The medical officer's report in the chargesheet further states that the hymen of both the girls were intact.

However, the girls in their statement before the counsellors before undergoing the medical test had said that they were repeatedly forced to undergo sexual penetration by the pontiff, which is registered in the documents.

# Eye on polls, Kateel raking up emotive issues: Khader

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** @Mangaluru

DEPUTY Leader of Opposition in the Legislative Assembly U T Khader on Wednesday hit back at BJP state president Nalin Kumar Kateel for his recent controversial statement, saying that the latter is not fit to carry out developmental works and hence is raking up emotive issues with an eye on elections.

During a BJP meet, Kateel had asked told workers not to discuss issues like roads and drainages and instead talk about 'Love jihad'. Addressing a press meet, Khader said by asking people not to discuss roads and drains, Kateel is telling people not to ask for development.

"They (BJP) promised a tunnel in Shirady Ghat but could not even deliver boiled rice to people. Now, people have realised that the fuel of double engine government is communal issues and the smoke that it emits is poison which kills people. Its engine was built with the tears and blood of the common man. It is time for the people to scrap this double engine," he said.

Khader said it is time for the people to go back and check out the promises made by the BJP to the people of the state and the district. "They have miserably failed in all aspects and when they have nothing to showcase about development, they are misleading the people," he said.

# HDK seeks probe into BJP leaders' link with 'Santro' Ravi

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** @Bengaluru

JDS leader H D Kumaraswamy on Wednesday dared Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai to order a probe into the alleged nexus between ministers and 'Santro' Ravi, against whom many cases have been registered in Bengaluru and Mysuru.

"Who is Santro Ravi? Mysuru police recently registered an FIR against him. What is the connection between him and ministers in the BJP government? We demand a detailed probe into the matter," he said and alleged that Santro Ravi was in touch with many ministers.

Speaking to media persons in Bengaluru, the former CM said the government should also probe those involved in taking JDS and Congress MLAs to Mumbai in 2019 to bring down the coalition government headed by him.

Kumaraswamy alleged that many illegal methods were adopted to bring down the coalition government and he will speak about it in detail after returning from the party's Pancharatna Yatra in Bidar and Kalaburagi. The yatra, which received a good response in the Old Mysuru region, is starting in Kalyan Karnataka districts from Thursday.

Kumaraswamy alleged that since 1995, many cases were booked against Ravi in various police stations in Mysuru and Bengaluru. "He was operating from Kumarakrupa Guest House in Bengaluru. Who gave him the room? The government must give all details about his connections with the ministers," he said.

Meanwhile, Home Minister Araga Jnanendra said if any case is registered in this regard, it will be looked into.

The TTD will provide Vaikunta Dwara Darshan to 9,300 underprivileged devotees, from 190 remote villages of AP, during Vaikuntha Dwara Darshanam. Trinath, secretary of Samarasata Seva Foundation, said the TTD commenced this practice two years ago – for Srivari Brahmotsavams and Vaikunta Dwara Darshanams.

# POLICE STOP NAIDU'S ROADSHOW IN HIS TURF

Former AP CM claims Jagan govt afraid of defeat in next elections

TDP workers spar with police personnel on Andhra Pradesh's border with Karnataka, after the latter denied permission for their roadshow | EXPRESS

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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TDP chief N Chandrababu Naidu's three-day tour of his home-turf Kuppam started on a stormy note, with the police preventing him for taking out a roadshow on the Andhra-Karnataka border.

Police seized his campaign vehicle and loudspeakers, leading to a verbal duel with TDP cadre. At one point, police had to resort to lathicharge to disperse the agitating crowd. Also, a stage set up at Kenamakanapalli, where Naidu was scheduled to hold a 'Rachabanda' programme, was removed.

As many as 10 persons suffered injuries in the lathicharge at Gollapalli, when TDP workers tried to violate restrictions imposed by the police. When Naidu reached the border of his constituency in Pedduru from Bengaluru, a police team led by Palamaner DSP N Sudhakar Reddy intercepted the convoy. Naidu asked the police to explain why permission was being denied to visit his home constituency.

Naidu was visibly furious. He said that having worked as a CM for 14 years, they asked him to take notices and sign on the acknowledgement.

He also demanded that his roadshow be permitted in his own constituency for the public. However, the police appealed to the TDP chief to organise a meeting in a closed-door setting.

Taking strong exception to the police seizing his campaign vehicle, Naidu said he would not leave the place till the vehicle is returned, and went on a padayatra in Pedduru village.

Speaking to reporters, Naidu claimed, "Fearing defeat in the next election, Jagan Mohan Reddy is resorting to these kind of tactics. I have won from this constituency seven times and it is like a home-coming for me. They brought in a GO stating that any meetings should be held under the mercy of police and the CM, and yet, the CM toured Rajamahendravaram on Tuesday by declaring holiday for schools and colleges."

The TDP chief questioned the government's action of preventing him from meeting his own people in his constituency.

# KSRTC eyes ₹40 cr from parcel service biz

AKNISREE KARTHIK @Bengaluru

CASH-strapped Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) is exploring options to increase its revenue by popularising the parcel and cargo business, and is aiming to scale up its operations. KSRTC is planning to earn Rs 40 crore from the parcel and cargo service and has started to map different clusters -- fruit, textile, pharma and automobile and cater to the demands.

Speaking to *TNIE*, KSRTC MD Anbu Kumar said, "We have been exploring all the opportunities to augment the revenues of KSRTC that took a severe beating due to the pandemic. Parcel service is one of the areas where we want to focus more, as revenue from this service has witnessed a 2.5-fold jump. The revenue from parcel service rose from Rs 4 crore to Rs 10 crore in 2022."

"There is more scope in the cargo service and we want to tap it. We want to scale operations and earn up to Rs 40 crore gradually," he said, adding, "Revenue from the parcel service is direct earning for the transport corporation, as there is not much investment, maintenance, infrastructure or other things involved in the regular bus service operations. We are open to running the parcel service, along with our regular bus service, and also offer fleets exclusively dedicated for this purpose."

Mentioning that they are identifying clusters, Kumar said "Tumakuru has a fruit cluster and Hassan has a textile cluster. Likewise, there are pharma, automobile and other clusters. We are identifying different clusters, and have a partner who will be holding talks with them to cater to their needs. Already, we have had a few rounds of discussions on the operations."

**SACRED STAIRWAY**

A sea of pilgrims descends at the holy steps leading to the Lord Ayyappa Temple in Sabarimala on Wednesday | SHAJI VETTIPURAM

# High student dropout rate a big worry, says Governor

ENS @Bengaluru

GOVERNOR Thaawarchand Gehlot on Wednesday regretted the high student dropout rate and said it was a big problem in the country.

He was speaking at the 3-day 100th All India Principal's Conference in Bengaluru organised by the Karnataka branch of the Association of Heads of Anglo Indian Schools in India.

"Education paves the way for development. It is the only tool to give the right direction to society, the country and the world. High student dropout rate is a big problem in the country and we need to put in more efforts to eliminate it," he said. He said that the way to combat this is to include more organisations in developing schools. "To increase student enrolment, organisations should come forward and adopt students, schools and villages. The aim of the National Education Policy-2020 is to provide education to all with the freedom to choose his or her own subjects and study in his or her mother tongue," he elaborated.

He said technology plays an important role in improving education. "Technology is very important to improve the quality of education. There is a great need for effective use of digital learning tools in classrooms," he said.

# CM lauds MCA on its golden jubilee, unveils new logo

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@Bengaluru

IT is not an easy feat for a government-run advertising limited to complete 50 years facing tough competition from the private players, said Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai.

He was speaking at the golden jubilee event of Marketing Communications and Advertising Limited (MCA) held here on Wednesday.

Lauding the efforts of MCA, Bommai said, "Private sector exploded after liberlisation, privatisation and globalisation in 1991. MCA has competed not only with private players in the state but has withstood competition from other states in giving publicity to government programmes and schemes".

"Use technology to the maximum level possible and improve your creativity. Understand the pulse of people and modify the communication strategy accordingly" he suggested MCA and assured that their various demands will be fulfilled.

Industries Minister Murugesh Nirani said that the MCA was established in 1972 started with a transaction of a mere Rs 78,747 has witnessed tremendous growth with its 2022 transaction crossing Rs 400 crore with branch offices in 13 districts headquarters across the state and two branches outside the state.

He recalled the significant marketing activities carried out by MCA and mentioned that Global Investors Meet was prominent as it attracted investments to the tune of more than Rs 9 lakh crore. On the occasion, a new logo of the MCA, a memoir and a special postal cover were unveiled.

CATS ON PROWL

# 2 leopards spotted on CFTRI campus, foresters launch combing ops

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Mysuru

FORESTERS have launched combing operations to trace and trap two leopards which were found prowling inside the Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI) campus by a security guard in the early hours of Wednesday. The foresters have installed camera traps and laid cages to trap the big cats.

The leopards were sighted by security guard Prabhakar, who was guarding the campus near the school building. Prabhakar said he was on night duty near the school, which is opposite to Cheluvamba Park, when he noticed two leopards moving close to the entrance gate at 1.30 am.

"Initially, I did not believe they were leopards. They were moving just 50 metres away from me. I immediately closed the gates and ran towards another entrance gate and informed my colleague. We later informed our supervisor at 6 am. I had seen the leopards only in the zoo, but in the open, it was the first time I saw them. I was initially frightened as I joined duty just two months back at CFTRI," he said.

CFTRI in-charge director Satish said it is for the first time that leopards were sighted inside the campus. "We informed the police and forest department. We also directed the school head to declare a holiday for children. As the institute was earlier a palace, there is a vast forest area on campus. After the incident, we have planned to install night vision cameras to detect any wildlife inside the campus," he said.

Meanwhile, a forest team led by ACF Lakshmikanth and RFO Surendra inspected the 150-acre forest area inside the campus to trace pug marks or scat. They also inspected the unoccupied staff quarters, suspecting that the leopards might have taken shelter.

Speaking to *TNIE*, in-charge DCF (Wildlife) D Mahesh Kumar said, "A dedicated team will be deployed. We have not found any pug marks or scat during the combing operation, which has been launched based on the sighting of the guard. Hence, people should not panic."

Forest and police officials maintain vigil after two leopards were sighted on the CFTRI campus in Mysuru on Wednesday | UDAYASHANKAR S

# WOMAN'S BODY FOUND IN DRUM AT YESVANTPUR STN

ENS @Bengaluru

THE decomposed body of a married woman, aged around 30 years, who had been strangulated using a dupatta, was found dumped inside a plastic drum packed with clothes at the Yesvantpur railway station on Wednesday. The crime may have occurred nine days ago, but came to light now. With the CCTV not working at this station for four days from December 22, everyone is in the dark now as to when the crime happened and who placed the blue drum there.

According to an official release by the Government Railway Police (GRP), a sweeper working on Platform One rushed to the Railway Protection Force (RPF) post around 9.30 am and alerted them about foul smell emanating from a drum.

"RPF and GRP cops rushed to the spot and opened the drum. The lid of the bin was tightly sealed with cellophane tapes. We found numerous clothes tightly packed with the decomposed body of a woman inside. It appears that she had been strangulated with a dupatta," the release said.

Pictures released by cops show the dupatta still around her neck.

A GRP source said, "We reviewed the CCTV footage and found out that the drum figured in our footage we were able to get on December 26. The CCTV was not working from December 22 to 26 (up to 8 pm). The footage we recovered post 8 pm had the drum on PF One. It is not railway property, but brought from outside. Since the drum has been tightly packed with clothes, the odour from the decomposed body has taken some time to be felt outside."

Investigations are on to find the identity of the woman.

## *Periyar's great-grandson dies at 46*

ERODE: **E Thirumahan Everaa**, son of former Union minister EVKS Elangovan and MLA of Erode East constituency, died of a heart attack on Wednesday. He was 46. Chief Minister M K Stalin is expected to pay his last respects on Thursday. Sources said the TNCC general secretary and great-grandson of Periyar collapsed at his home on Kutchery Road here and was rushed to hospital, where he was declared brought dead. He is survived by his wife and daughter. Thirumahan's grandfather EVK Sampath was the political heir of EVR Periyar. Sampath was the son of Periyar's elder brother, EV Krishnaswamy. Congress leaders Rahul Gandhi and Mallikarjun Kharge, and AIADMK interim general secretary E Palaniswami paid their respects.

EXPRESS READ

### Cherian starts second innings as Kerala minister

T'PURAM: CPM leader Saji Cherian returned as Minister for Fisheries, Culture and Youth Affairs of Lerala, after a gap of six months. He took oath as a minister of the LDF government on Wednesday. Kerala Governor Arif Mohammed Khan administered oath at Raj Bhavan, in the presence of Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, Speaker AN Shamseer, LDF convener EP Jayarajan, and party workers. Meanwhile, the Opposition boycotted the event in protest against the re-induction of Cherian. Later, speaking to media, Cherian said he has no issues with the Governor, other than political differences. "I do respect him as the Governor. The differences are only political. The projects that were conceived during my first stint of 13 months, will be completed. Special attempts will be made to address the issues faced by the coastal population," he said.

Visually-challenged students go through newly released Braille books, on the occasion of World Braille Day, organised by the APS Education Foundation in Bengaluru on Wednesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

# What the disabled lack: Books in Braille, equal job chances

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THERE are several schemes and provisions made for disabled people but they are not implemented properly on the ground, rued Gautam Agrawal, general secretary, National Federation of the Blind (NFB) on Wednesday.

He said shortage of books in Braille format, lack of equal job opportunities for disabled people continue to persist, which act as a hindrance in their growth.

Gautam said the government should make a time-bound action plan for effective implementation of all schemes announced. He said the bureaucratic complications in the system often lead to no redressal of the issues.

He was speaking at the 214th birth anniversary of Louis Braille (inventor of the Braille writing system). The day is also observed as World Braille Day.

JC Madhuswamy, Minister of Law and Parliamentary Affairs, also present on the occasion said that a person can achieve a lot in life if he has the motive and motto. Fifteen specially-abled people were awarded and felicitated on the occasion.

Satender Singh, a visually impaired IAS officer working in Puducherry as Deputy Collector, said it was important to ensure that issues of people with disability were discussed in the society. Comparing it with issues related to gender, he said society has progressed in becoming gender inclusive now and the same must be done for issues of disabled people as well.

MEGA EVENT

# *12,000 cops deployed for Sahitya Sammelana in Haveri*

KIRAN BALANNANAVAR @Haveri

WITH just a day left for the 86th Kannada Sahitya Sammelana to commence in Haveri, preparations are on in full swing for the three-day event which starts on Friday. Authorities and organisers are leaving nothing to chance to make the event a big success.

As many as 12,000 police personnel and home guards have been deployed to oversee the security and traffic management at the mega event. QR codes are being introduced to enable visitors to reach the venue and also to find parking slots. CCTV cameras have been installed inside and outside the premises including the kitchen. More than 1.5 lakh people are expected to attend the sammelana.

Hanumanthraya, Superindent of Police (SP), Haveri, said that from January 6 to 8, traffic will be diverted on many roads to avoid inconvenience to the public as the event is being held near NH-48. "Entry of vehicles will be restricted from Siddappa Circle, JH Pail Road, Hangal and PB Road to Siddappa Circle. Parking has been banned on the roadside. Three places have been identified to facilitate parking."

As many as four lakh jowar rotis, two lakh laddus and two lakh holige made by 1,000 chefs and helpers will be served to the participants at the sammelana which is being held at a 20 acre ground. Arrangements for breakfast, lunch and dinner will be made by the district administration.

Food, including laddus, being prepared for participants and visitors at the venue of the 86th Kannada Sahitya Sammelana in Haveri on Wednesday | EXPRESS

# EDITORIAL

If liberty means anything at all, it means the right to tell people what they do not want to hear

George Orwell

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— Ramnath Goenka

## SC SAYS PAY TO MUNCH IN CINEMAS, BUT LEAVES OVERPRICING ALONE

THE Supreme Court order barring movie-goers from carrying their food into a cinema hall has sought to strike a balance between the right of the theatre owner and the customer. It has observed that the movie-goer is likely to mess up the theatre, which is private property. The SC struck down the Jammu and Kashmir High Court order removing restrictions on movie-goers bringing in their food. It also allowed the theatre owners to fix the price of eatables and beverages with two exceptions: free water is to be provided, and food for infants is allowed in halls. The movie-goers are free to buy popcorn or go without it. It means that the movie-watching experience will remain elitist, with no caps on pricey popcorn, snacks and soft drinks. The bench did not address the fact that snacks and even water are shockingly overpriced in multiplexes, with taxes and rentals layered in. Until now, the Cinema Regulation Act of 1955, which regulates theatre screenings, did not stop anyone from carrying food and water in, but restrictions were placed by theatre owners, citing security and hygiene. This was reinforced by the SC's humorous observations of jalebis, butter chicken and healthy food in the theatre.

Popcorn has made it to the court hall before. In 2018, the Bombay High Court ruled in favour of regulating popcorn's price in movie theatres. It heard a PIL on the ban on outside food, and the Maharashtra government had promised to frame a policy. While the Covid pandemic hit theatres hard, leading to many shutting shops, there is now a revival in watching movies at the theatre, but under the looming shadow of OTT streaming services. In such a scenario, people should be encouraged to visit theatres, but highly-priced snacks remain a deterrent. This will likely remain the same in the near future, as the transition to multiplex screening has resulted in substantial operational costs. Stakeholders claim that food and beverage sales remain good and seek to market movie-watching as an enhanced experience. They are being aided by the SC's 'let them eat cake' order, with popcorn costing around ₹300 a tub. Overpricing remains a bane in elitist spaces like multiplexes and airports, where the presumption is that the customer/ passenger can afford it. Often, families with children and those who have a long wait in airports are forced to pay up.

## MORALITY OF CHERIAN'S RE-ENTRY INTO CABINET

CPM's Saji Cherian was sworn in as a cabinet minister in Kerala for the second time on Wednesday. The Chengannur legislator who stepped down after making certain controversial remarks on the Indian Constitution returned to the cabinet after a gap of 182 days. Cherian's re-entry was made possible after the police team that probed the episode submitted its report before the court, giving him a clean chit. The High Court had also ruled in his favour in a petition seeking his disqualification as a legislator. Though reluctantly, Governor Arif Mohammad Khan accepted the chief minister's recommendation to re-induct Cherian into the cabinet. Khan conveyed his reservation while granting permission for the swearing-in.

Last July, while addressing a party programme in Pathanamthitta, Cherian, then minister for culture and fisheries, made controversial remarks on the Constitution. Stating that the Constitution endorses exploitation and looting of people, the CPM leader said it was written to rob the masses. Cherian said the Constitution compiled by the British and written as such by an Indian was being followed in the country for 75 years. What got him into trouble was his controversial remark that the Constitution contained scattered words like "secularism" and "democracy" and termed them as Kuntham and Kodachakram (a colloquial usage in Kerala to refer to anything and everything under the sun). This naturally had the opposition UDF gunning for his resignation.

The Supreme Court and even constitutional experts have pointed out that the Constitution is not beyond criticism. Even B R Ambedkar, the father of the Indian Constitution, has made this clear many times. But there is a difference between criticism and insult, and that is what Saji Cheriyan forgot while remarking. The way Saji Cherian expressed his opinion, rather than the words he used, amounted to insulting the Constitution. It would augur well for a person occupying a constitutional position to fathom this and act accordingly. It was indeed a politically correct move on the part of CPM, which swears by the Constitution every other day, to make him resign within two days after the video footage of the controversial speech surfaced. But, what cannot be missed is that the ground on which he resigned from the ministership persists. By showing haste in re-inducting Cherian, CPM has certainly sacrificed the high moral ground it assumed while making him quit.

**QUICK TAKE**

### BETTER RULE OF LAW IMAGE

INDIA ranked 77/140 in the World Rule of Law Index prompts government measures to improve the country's performance on critical indicators – civil justice, open government, fundamental rights and order and security – determining the rankings. Correcting perceptions about India and creating an India Index with domestic data sources are also considered. Pakistan and Afghanistan lag far behind if that is any consolation. Like India improved ease of doing business with brisk policy changes, it should reinforce principles of accountability, just application of the law, accessible and impartial justice and respect for civil rights, thus dispelling fears of weakening institutional mechanisms.

CSR funds worth ₹1 trillion were accumulated in 2020-21. Of this, the eight NE states received less than one per cent

## CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND THE NORTHEAST

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FOR those in India's Northeast, the idea of corporate social responsibility (CSR) began dawning in a hard and painful way in the 1990s, long before it became law in 2013, making it mandatory for companies of a certain level of profitability to register and contribute towards a consolidated CSR fund.

Assam's rebel group, United Liberation Front of Asom (ULFA), was at its peak then, inspiring a sense of what Irish poet WB Yeats called "a terrible beauty" among a large section of the Assamese population already besieged by a feeling of demographic and economic marginalisation in their homeland. In the popular Assamese imagination of the time, ULFA were romantic warriors playing Robin Hood – robbing the rich to help the dispossessed. Those were heady days, marked by a peculiar public psychology of a cocktail of aversion to the violent social turmoil but laced nonetheless with a dose of romance.

One of the things ULFA began doing was to target industries, especially extractive ones, based in Assam, accusing them of a colonial agenda of draining the state of its resources for their profit. Those in tea, timber and oil became the prime targets of ransom kidnapping and assassination; many were told to shut shop and leave.

As water finds the path of least resistance, this immutable law of nature was also what these companies sought. To buy their peace, they began investing in the communities they worked, building schools and health infrastructure, extending employment opportunities, etc. What came into cognisance was that this investment was not only morally right but also a prudent business strategy. In the long run, for any business to run smoothly, the societies in which they functioned had to be made stakeholders.

Much water has flowed down the Brahmaputra and other Northeast rivers. Like many other rebel groups in the region, ULFA is still very much around, but the sheen of romance that once knighted them in the popular imagination has faded, relegating them to a corner of public consciousness. But one of the better legacies they may have left behind, at least in Assam, is a warmer culture of a symbiotic relationship between corporations and the communities where they build their business foundations. It would also not be too far-fetched to speculate that the clause introduced in India's Companies Act in 2013, which made a corporate contribution to the CSR fund compulsory, had the Assam experience as a determinant, at least subconsciously.

Section 135 of the Companies Act, 2013 requires every company, private limited or public limited, which has a net worth of ₹500 crore or more, or a turnover of ₹1,000 crore or more, or a net profit of ₹5 crore or more during any financial year, to spend a minimum of two per cent of the average net profits they have made during the three immediately preceding financial years towards upliftment of society.

According to a brochure released by the Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industries (FICCI) at a recent workshop in New Delhi, the accumulated funds under the CSR in 2020-21 is a whopping ₹1 trillion or ₹1 lakh crore. The brochure also notes that the eight northeastern states (Sikkim included) received only ₹196.39 crore of this amount, which is much less than one per cent. According to the Government of India CSR website, of this amount, a state like Manipur received only ₹10.3 crore from 42 different companies during the financial year.

This is unfortunate by most parameters. Northeast certainly deserves more. Its forest and mineral resources are rich, and many companies have capitalised on this. In other sectors, too, the Northeast is a prime market for many. Take the case of Indigo Airlines. When the company decided to enter the aviation market as a low-cost passenger carrier in 2006 with just one aircraft, the route it chose was Delhi to Imphal via Guwahati. Today Indigo operates 1600 flights daily to 101 destinations and still does substantial business in the Northeast, so there is no reason why a respectable share of its CSR contribution should not come to the Northeast. The same can be said of many others dealing in products ranging from baby foods to automobiles.

From the point of view of the government's developmental responsibility, data again suggest Northeast is not getting its fair share. Its rural population is 84 per cent, far higher than the national average of 70 per cent. People living below the poverty line in this region are 34.28 per cent, again far above the national average of 26.1 per cent. And yet, these states are virtually side-lined when allocating CSR funds meant precisely for social upliftment.

It must be added here that the scale for measuring poverty may be a little tricky here. As in most traditional agrarian societies, many of whom are tribals depending on forest recourses for sustenance, the case is also generally of people with stomachs full but wallets empty. This also indicates that climate change can drastically alter their livelihoods, so investment in fighting climate change can be directly relevant to them.

Despite these caveats, the figures are so starkly weighed against the region that even FICCI thought it fit to have a special session on the Northeast during its Delhi conference to look for a more just and equitable way forward. The question is, why exactly is Northeast in the blind spot of CSR investment? Is this yet another indication that India intuitively does not look east, and its obsession remains to the west of its border? This, despite its much-vaunted Look East Policy, now rechristened Act East Policy? As the late Ashok Mitra noted in a column, in 1937, when Burma (now Myanmar) was separated from India as per a provision in the Government of India Act 1935, there was not a squeak of protest in India. But when Pakistan was separated from India ten years later, unprecedented carnages left unimaginable tragedies on both sides of the border. Is it not time yet to make amends and readjust this national vision?

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## THE TALIBAN BLOWBACK – SINGES INDIA AS MUCH AS IT DOES PAK

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IN 2023, if wedding bells ring for any Pakistani leader, especially 33-year-old Bilawal Bhutto-Zardari, don't expect Prime Minister Narendra Modi to make a flying visit as he did when he landed in Lahore in 2015 for former prime minister Nawaz Sharif's granddaughter's nuptials.

Not after the foreign minister unleashed an impolitic diatribe against Modi, putting paid to whatever little hope there was of any revival of ties.

Admittedly, a summit a la Lahore was never on the cards despite back-channel talks initiated by former Pakistan army chief Gen (retd) Qamar Javed Bajwa, which brought Pakistan-sponsored infiltration down across the Line of Control in Jammu and Kashmir through 2020-22.

But that, too, is at an end. While Pakistan remains a convenient whipping boy for the Modi government, not only are prospects of a Free Trade Agreement more difficult than before, the recent uptick in violence in J&K has all but derailed plans for peace in Kashmir in 2023. The internal upheaval within Pakistan has left a weakened political leadership. Prime Minister Shahbaz Sharif, as much as the Pakistan Army, which pulls the levers of power, is consumed with keeping former prime minister Imran Khan from returning to office as a prelude to the induction of an interim government run by economic experts rather than the electoral validation Khan wants. India is not a priority.

Through it all, Bajwa did come close to pulling off a backroom deal with India. Bajwa's inner circle had consistently claimed that a trusted Delhi interlocutor promised that the abrogation of Article 370 and Article 35A in August 2019 - which scrapped J&K's statehood and drew international opprobrium - would, at best, be temporary; and that when the situation in J&K improved, it would be revoked, Article 371 imposed, giving it the face-saver of being on par with the North-East states. This would be followed by elections.

While none of this has been openly acknowledged by Delhi, the recent spike in targeted killings of police and government officials, mostly Kashmiri Pandits and officials from outside the state, has put paid to any such plans.

The big question is whether terror cells, dormant through the Bajwa years, have been reactivated by the Pakistan army under its new chief Gen Asim Munir, in a prod to Delhi to get moving, despite the prevailing view that Munir would keep to Bajwa's line. Could it be an organic reaction by terror groups to derail the process of normalisation? Or, as Afghan analysts believe – is it the handiwork of the Taliban and its proxies that see Kashmir as ripe for the picking?

The Doha Shura, bankrolled by Qatar, its fighters armed with weapons, drones and ammunition the US left behind when exiting the Afghan theatre, is seeking to carve its path, independent of Pakistan, which has lost control of its key protégé, the Haqqani network that until recently wielded greater influence over the Doha and Kandahar factions.

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But, as an adviser to National Resistance Front leader Ahmed Massood, son of the legendary Tajik leader Ahmad Shah Massood, fighting to keep the Taliban at bay warned: "The time for a jihad within Afghanistan is over. The Islamic Emirate is a reality. The focus of the 20-odd terror groups operating within the country and along the Afghanistan-Pakistan border is to expand its jihad to Central Asia, Pakistan and India."

J&K has long been in the cross-hairs of terror groups such as ISIS-Khorasan, which in tandem with Al Qaeda, has some 5,000 odd Arab fighters under its command. Groups, active in Northern Afghanistan, Pakistan's Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and the Federally Administered Tribal Areas of Pakistan (FATA) include the Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan and the Islamic State of Iraq and Levant (ISIL). Giving Taliban heft is the 10,000-strong Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), which seeks to carve FATA out of Pakistan and has, under the benign eye of the Taliban, sanctuaries and safe havens on both sides of the border. Both violently object to FATA's recent merger into KP province and Pakistan's strong-arm tactics to make them accept the Durand Line as the International Border.

That has manifested itself in repeated attacks on Pakistan government facilities in KP and Baluchistan and the actual fence, with the most recent being a suicide bomb attack on a border check-post in North Waziristan on December 29, and the Bannu prison outbreak.

Newly powerful, no longer dependent on Pakistan for funding or arms, the Taliban' worm' has turned. Its return to power was almost a given after it was allowed to open an office in the Qatari capital of Doha in 2013 in the last year of the Hamid Karzai presidency under the aegis of Washington's special envoy to Afghanistan, Zalmay Khalilzad. Khalilzad negotiated a safe withdrawal of US troops from that country, keeping the elected Ashraf Ghani government out of the loop on the actual quid pro quo, and in return, handed Afghanistan back to the regressive group that Pakistan had nurtured for over 20 years, on August 15, 2021.

It was seen as a huge win for Pakistan and a setback to India, which had hobbled Pakistan's 'strategic depth' strategy and its virtual colonisation of Afghanistan with some success. Except that the Talibs in power have made a tactical shift. Stoking the debate on women's rights - on which insiders say, they will make a predictable concession to win brownie points in 2023 – Kabul is shifting attention away from the detention and torture of hundreds of young Afghans, while deploying Karzai to divest themselves of the terror tag and gain international legitimacy.

The Taliban's use of the Haq Do Tehreek and TTP, to blockade Gwadar port and Makran in Pakistan's Baluchistan, prompting an exodus of Chinese workers and jeopardising investment, critical to Pakistan's economy, which is in danger of defaulting on its external debt, consumes the Sharif government's attention, even as it ties the army down to fire-fighting the newfound threat.

The Taliban blowback, the unexpected enemy in the house, could derail not just Pakistan in 2023. But singe India as well.

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### Happy images

In a photo-up world it is not surprising for Rahul Gandhi to build up his image with ideological talk of love and hate, action of taking with some renowned intellectuals along with him during the walk, creating perceptions of his remoulding make up through smiles, beard, determined walk, etc. However, to say that he has stood taller as against Modi in image-building race is too much. This is with reference to the article by Sugata Srinivasaraju.
**Jitendranath Guru, Padampur**

### Yatra objective

Sugata Srinivasaraju, in his column, Rahul Gandhi's yatra and a sea of happy images (Jan 4) praised the Bharat Jodo Yatra because it reduced barriers between a political leader and the people. The proximity did indeed develop a kinship. But the yatra should not become a mere political drama for targeting votes.
**Prasanna P, Tiruchirappalli**

### China and Covid curbs

It has been reported that China has taken high exception at some countries imposing curbs on passengers from China. Lakhs of people have already lost their lives all over the world due to Covid-19. It is the internal matter of any country to take steps to protect their citizens from the much-dreaded contagious disease. Nothing prevents China from imposing curbs on the passengers coming from other countries.
**K.V. Seetharamaiah, Bengaluru**

### Welcome balm

Kerala Governor Arif Mohammad Khan's decision to approve Saji Cherian's re-induction to the state government on the recommendation of the Chief Minister, as he considers the latter's recommendation binding on him, comes as a welcome balm on the festering sores that had broken out between the executive and the legislature lately.
**Dr George Jacob, Kochi**

### Vigilant government

The anti-corruption vigil by the chief minister of Odisha (Jan-3) is an example to other states. His zero-tolerance policy is most appreciable and we feel that he doesn't care for the future elections. Let us appreciate him. This will show the way to other states including the Union government.
**S.Chockalingam, Kottaram**

### Mavi dream debut

Hats off to Hardik Pandya and his boys for pulling off a thriller victory against the rejuvenated Sri Lankan team. Though debutant Shubman Gill failed to click, it proved to be a dream debut for Shivam Mavi who took 4 for 22 in his 4 overs, which enabled our team to win the match by a whisker.
**Vinay Mahadevan, Chennai**

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**TWEETS OF THE DAY**

**Jairam Ramesh** @Jairam_Ramesh
Forcing MGNREGA workers to register their attendance via an app will introduce new avenues for corruption, disempower women, dalits and adivasis

**Mayawati** @Mayawati
The inhuman act of uprooting thousands of poor and Muslim families in the name of removal of encroachments in Uttarakhand state is very sad

**Pushkar Singh Dhami** @pushkardhami
Our government is constantly working to fulfil the resolution of "Navya and Divya Uttarakhand" by living up to the expectations of the people

# After UP forms OBC panel, SC stays HC order on local body polls

SHRUTI KAKKAR @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Wednesday stayed Allahabad HC order asking the Uttar Pradesh Election Commission to immediately notify election to urban local body polls (ULB) without providing for OBC reservation.

The apex court noted that a day after the HC order, the state government had formed the UP State Local Bodies Dedicated Backward Classes Commission to fix OBC reservations for ULB elections. A bench of CJI DY Chandrachud and Justice PS Narasimha gave the commission time till March 31 to complete the exercise to identify politically backward classes.

"If you hold elections without reservations, a segment of society will be left out. Can there be a constitutional vacuum for three months?" the bench asked. We cannot have a vacuum in governance," said Chandrachud.

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta had submitted that although the term of the commission was six months, efforts will be made to complete the exercise expeditiously within three months, which is till March 31, this year.

Noting that the term of some bodies has come to an end and those of others too will end on January 31, the apex court asked the state to issue a fresh notification for delegating the day-to-day administrative work to three-member committees headed by district magistrates of which the executive officer/chief executive officer/municipal commissioner shall be a member in such places.

It, however, restrained the committee from taking major policy decisions.

The court also issued notice to parties who were writ petitioners in the Allahabad High Court and directed them to list the case after three weeks.

The directions were issued in pleas filed by the state government against HC's December 27 order. The HC while quashing December 5 and 12 notifications ruled that the government could not notify OBC reservations for civic elections until the fulfillment of three conditions laid down by the Supreme Court's constitution bench back in 2010.

The bench of Justices Devendra Kumar Upadhyay and Saurabh Lavania had also ordered the state to "immediately" notify elections to the urban local bodies without OBC quotas.

The bench directed the government to set up a commission to conduct an empirical study on the nature and backwardness to be able to have OBC quotas in the next election to urban local bodies.

The state government's December 5 draft notification was meant to provide reservations for OBCs in civic elections. The December 12 notification provided for the operation of bank accounts of municipalities under the joint signatures of executive officers and the senior-most officer in Uttar Pradesh Palika Centralized Service (Accounts Cadre).

The UP government in its plea before the top court had argued that the HC erred in quashing the draft notification since OBCs were constitutionally protected.

**ALSO IN TOP COURT**

### Azam Khan case not to be transferred

The Supreme Court on Wednesday dismissed Azam Khan's plea seeking transfer of trial in forgery case, pending in Rampur special court outside UP on ground of alleged persecution. Noting that Khan had not present cogent material for transfer, bench headed by CJI DY Chandrachud said, "As of now you haven't made any ground of transfer." The court however granted the SP leader the liberty to approach HC against the lower court's order.

### Breather for former Uttarakhand CM

Former Uttarakhand CM Trivendra Singh Rawat breathed a sigh of relief as Supreme Court on Wednesday set aside Uttarakhand HCs order directing CBI probe into the allegations of corruption against the Minister. The bench also noted that HC had not granted an opportunity to the ex Minister while ordering the probe.

### Bail to gangster Vikas Dubey's aide

The Supreme Court on Wednesday granted bail to Khushi Dubey, wife of Amar Dubey, a close aide of slain gangster Vikas Dubey in connection with the Bikru encounter case. The bench of CJI DY Chandrachud, Justices S Abdul Nazeer and PS Narasimha while granting bail noted that she was a juvenile at the time.

## Haldwani Rly land encroachment: SC to hear plea against HC order

SHRUTI KAKKAR @ New Delhi

THE Supreme Court on Wednesday agreed to hear tomorrow pleas challenging the Uttarakhand High Court order directing removal of Gafoor Basti spread across 29 acres of railway land in Haldwani.

A bench comprising CJI DY Chandrachud, Justices S A Nazeer and PS Narasimha posted the matter for hearing after advocate Prashant Bhushan mentioned it.

Bhushan informed the bench about another plea filed by Haldwani's Mohalla Nai Basti residents earlier, which was scheduled to come up on Thursday. The bench agreed to tag the matter and posted it for Thursday.

The pleas challenges the Uttarakhand HC's December 12, 2022 order for the removal of rampant encroachment of the railway land in the town's Banbhoolpura area and gave encroachers a week's time to vacate it. The pleas challenging HCs ruling were moved by Sharafat Khan and Bhupendra Arya.

**MASSIVE ENCROACHMENT**

- On New Year's eve, authorities had made preparations to demolish 4,365 illegal buildings on 78-acre railway land
- Five RPF and five PAC companies were deployed in the area
- Thousands of families living near Haldwani railway station say they have been living on the land for about 40 years

"By way of the impugned order, the court has attempted to subvert the due process of appeal and hearing provided in the relevant statutory law by not hearing the affected parties," the plea filed by Sharaft Khan stated. It was also argued that hundreds of people affected by the eviction order were suffering another unjust consequence of the HC order.

In another plea which was filed by residents of Mohalla Nai Basti, it was stated that local residents were paying house tax regularly for years. "The High Court, in complete disregard of the settled principles of title and occupation, collectively rejected all documents placed by the petitioners that clearly established their claim," the plea stated.

The plea highlighted "arbitrary approach" of the railway authorities and state government, saying the petitioner's and their ancestors' long settled physical possession, some even prior to the date of Indian independence, has been recognized by the State and its agencies.

"They have been given gas and water connections and even Aadhaar card numbers thus accepting their residential addresses," the residents' plea said.

# Hydrogen-powered engines to propel heritage trains

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

IN a first ever move, Indian Railways have began work to roll out hydrogen-powered locomotives to run all heritage trains in the country. This is being done as a part of making the rail traffic in India net zero emission and environment-friendly in next few years.

Heritage trains are plying on the existing eight narrow and meter gauge heritage routes across India's famed tourist destinations.

Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw on Tuesday, said hydrogen-powered engines would be rolled out on all the existing heritage trains in picturesque hilly locations.

The minister said that the locomotives of heritage trains will have the outlook of a steam engine but will be powered by hydrogen on the lines of those trains running in China and Germany. At present, the heritages trains are being run on either stream on diesel locomotives but within next two years, the locomotives of each of the heritages trains will be converted into green hydrogen-powered locomotives.

"The outlook of heritage train's locomotive will remain as it is of an old steam engine but its energy sources will be powered by hydrogen", the minister said. The railway has designed a prototype of hydrogen-powered engine and it would be put for test-run in next few months on the Sonipat-Jind section.

According to railway officials sources, the two heritage trains run on the Matheran hill railway under Central Railway, 9 on Darjeeling Himalayan railway under Northeast Frontier Railway; 7 on Kalka Shimla railway and 7 on Kangra valley under Northern Railway; 2 on Bilimora Waghai and 2 on Mhow Paralpani on Western Railway; 8 on Nilgiri Mountain Railways and 1 on Marwar-Devgarh Madriya railway section of the North Western Railway.

The heritage running on the narrow gauge in Kangra-valley with diesel locomotive covers a distance of 164 kms and a total of number of 7 heritages trains are on narrow gauge routes.

On the Darjeeling-Himalayan railway about 88.6 km long are narrow gauged, 9 heritages trains run while 8 heritage trains run on the Nilgiri Mountain narrow gauged section.

Only 1 heritage train runs on the Marwar-Devgarh Madriya section – 55-km meter gauged route. Two heritage trains are operational on the 19.97 km long Matheran Hill section.

### *To replace steam engines*

Railways has designed prototype of hydrogen-powered engines to power the now steam-run locomotives of these heritage trains. Numbers below:

GOA

## Mopa airport to be named after Parrikar

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE Union Cabinet has given ex-post facto approval for naming of Greenfield International Airport at Goa's Mopa as Manohar International Airport, after former defence minister and Goa chief minister Manohar Parrikar.

"To fulfil the cherished aspirations of the people of the State of Goa, Chief Minister of Goa conveyed unanimous decision of the Cabinet of State Government of Goa to name the Greenfield International Airport, Mopa, Goa as 'Manohar International Airport ' Mopa, Goa'," the Cabinet said in a statement.

The airport was inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi in December, 2022. The airport has been named after late Manohar Parrikar in recognition of his contribution to building modern Goa, the statement said.

IndiGo Airlines flight from Hyderabad will be the first to touch down at North Goa's newly opened Manohar International Airport (MIA) on January 5, an airport official announced on Monday. According to an MIA official, IndiGo aircraft 6E 6145 from Hyderabad would touch down at the facility at 9 am on Thursday. He stated that domestic operations would begin on Thursday.

## Cong slams app-based attendance system for MGNREGA workers

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

THE Congress on Wednesday hit out at the Modi government for making the new app-based attendance system compulsory for MGNREGA workers saying that it is a backdoor move by the government to slash MGNREGA budget.

"It's a proof of the government's insensitivity towards the poor," Congress said.

Though the app-based attendance system for MGNREGA workers started in May 2021, the government has made it mandatory from January 1, 2023. In a directive issued by the Ministry of Rural Development on December 23 last year, it asked for the attendance of the workers at the worksite through a mobile application, the National Mobile Monitoring System App (NMMS). In this app, two time-stamped and geotagged photographs of workers are required in a day.

Criticising the NMMS application, AICC general secretary Jairam Ramesh said the new system is unfit for the purpose as it undermined transparency. The former Union minister pointed out that the Ministry of Rural Development has mandated that every worker at nine crore worksites register their attendance via an app, replacing physical muster rolls.

"This move, apparently to increase transparency, will have the exact opposite effect. It will introduce new avenues for corruption. Workers will find it harder to get paid," he said.

According to information available on the Ministry for Rural Development website in September, eight States have recorded more than 90% usage of the app. While Assam recorded 93.42%, Odisha and Tamil Nadu had 92% and 93% respectively. Other states include Karnataka (92%), Kerala (91.5%), Tripura (91%), Uttarakhand (91%) and Puducherry (99%).

Workers without expensive smartphones, especially women and those from marginalized communities, will be at a disadvantage, said Ramesh, a concern shared by many activists. "In sum, it undermines the MGNREGA, a sanjeevini for crores of rural poor," he said.

Pointing out the flaws of the application, the ex-minister said that the app requires the mate at a worksite to record attendance of all workers and take a group photograph at two specified times before and after the work begins.

Workers in many states, including West Bengal, are on the war path demanding long pending dues of MGNREGA payments.

The senior leader pointed out that Rs 8,450crore are delayed this financial year, including the entire West Bengal.

### *POINTING OUT THE FLAWS*

Centre's move to make MGNREGA attendance system compulsory is unfit for the purpose as it undermined transparency, says Jairam Ramesh

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> Jairam Ramesh, general secretary, Congress

**EX-ENVIRONMENT MINISTER SAYS:**

- Long-pending dues: Rs 8,450crore in dues to MGNREGA workers are delayed this financial year, including entire West Bengal
- Workers without smartphones, especially women and those from marginalised communities, will be at disadvantage
- Recent move to halve food grains under National Food Security Act along with MGNREGA app will work to detriment of rural poor

## India not war profiteer: EAM on Ukraine crisis

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

EXTERNAL Affairs Minister, Dr S Jaishankar, has said that India is not a war profiteer. He said this during an media interaction with an Austrian newspaper, Der Standard.

"I vehemently reject – politically and also mathematically – that India is a war profiteer. Oil prices have doubled as a result of the Ukraine war. In such a situation, if you get a better price than other countries, you still pay much more than before. The oil market is also driven up by sanctions against Iran or the Venezuela crisis. In such a situation, it makes diplomatic and economic sense to look around the market for the best deal. Would Europe pay more if it didn't have to?" said Dr Jaishankar in reply to a query that India benefitted as it did not follow sanctions.

Europe imported about $120 billion worth of energy from Russia after the war broke out. That is six times as much as as India bought.

"What happened in Ukraine is closer to Europe. Europe has a different history with Russia than India. We also have different interests in Ukraine than you do. Almost all states will say that they support the principles of the UN Charter. But look at the world of the last 75 years. Have all UN members really always followed the UN Charter and never sent troops to another country?" Dr Jaishankar said when asked about why India didn't support UN legislations against Russia.

Each state judges events according to its location, interests and history. There are also incidents in Asia, where countries in Europe or Latin America do not feel the need to take a position. "If you always immediately point out what is going wrong elsewhere, you want to distract. Then you can forget about principles right away," the EAM said.

## No one can oppose Rahul's yatra, says Ram temple trust gen secy

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

A day after Acharya Satyendra Das, the chief priest of the Ram Mandir in Ayodhya, extended his support to the Bharat Jodo Yatra, led by Congress MP Rahul Gandhi, Champat Rai, general secretary of Sri Ram Janmabhoomi Tirtha Kshetra Trust, also heaped praise on the Congress leader.

While talking to this reporter, Champat Rai said that the yatra should be praised as it was for a good cause of uniting the nation. "I am associated with the RSS. The Sangh Parivar has never condemned the yatra. There is nothing wrong with it. No one can oppose it," said Rai on Wednesday.

Rai, who called Rahul the young man walking for the country, was joined by the treasurer of the temple trust, Govind Dev Giri, in appreciating Rahul Gandhi's efforts. "The country must remain united. I pray to Lord Ram to bless him (Rahul Gandhi)."

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi with padyatris in Baghpat on Wednesday | PTI

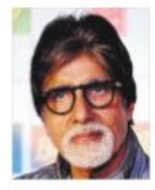
The Congress sent invitations to many saints and seers, including Acharya Satyendra Das, of Ayodhya to be a part of the yatra. However, the Ram temple head priest expressed his inability to join the yatra, but issued a letter wishing luck to Rahul. On Wednesday, the yatra resumed its journey at 6 am after a night halt at Mavikalan village in Baghpat on Tuesday. The Yatra reached Shamli by evening and halted at Ailum town in the district.

Senior Congress leaders, including former Union minister Jairam Ramesh, Salman Khurshid, UP Congress chief Brijlal Khabri, fromer state chief Ajay Kumar Lallu, a few leaders of Rashtriya Lok Dal, were also present in the Yatra.

## Another BigB advert in eye of a storm

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

THE Nutrition Advocacy in Public Interest-India (NAPi), a national think-tank of independent medical experts, paediatricians and nutritionists, has written to Bollywood icon Amitabh Bachchan against promoting a biscuit brand which they claim is unhealthy.



The NAPi said they learned of his "association with Britannia Milk Bikis Biscuits through a recent KBC Junior commercial aired on television, YouTube, and other social media platforms."

The letter said, "the advertisement...misleads consumers by equating an unhealthy, ultra-processed and pre-packaged food product which is an industrial formulation, with real foods like "atta roti" and "a glass of milk."

Dr Arun Gupta, paediatrician and convener of NAPi, and one of the letter's signatories told this newspaper that the commercial is deceptive and discredits home-cooked, authentic foods.

He said the biscuit is a high sugar, high-fat, and high-sodium product. It contains "23.4 g of sugar per 100 g, 17.8 g of fat, and 287 mg of sodium per 100 g" and thus doesn't meet the criteria stipulated by World Health Organisation South-East Asia Region in its nutrition profiling of products.

"This is harmful to children as increased consumption may contribute to childhood obesity and type -2 diabetes and other non-communicable diseases in later life. Much evidence is available in the public domain that these products are addictive," the letter said.

Since he is yet to respond, NAPi intends to send another letter next week.

**SPACE ROCKET**
India will test a space-based aircraft monitoring system when it undertakes a development flight of Small Satellite Launch Vehicle (SSLV) next month, officials said.

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# Mamata says no help from govt for Gangasagar Mela

'Centre gives funds to Kumbh Mela, but not a penny to Bengal's event'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Kolkata

CM Mamata Banerjee during the inauguration of three helipads at Sagar Island in South 24-Parganas district on Wednesday | PTI

WEST Bengal chief minister Mamata Banerjee on Wednesday slammed the Centre for not helping the state government to organise Gangasagar Mela (fair), the state's biggest annual Hindu pilgrimage event, which is organised on Sagar island in South 24-Parganas, while Kumbh Mela organisers receive adequate funds from Delhi.

"The Central government offers Kumbh Mela enough financial help but never helped us with a single rupee to organise the Bengal's event where around one crore people from across the country and abroad turn up every year. India cannot have a single eye. If Kumbh Mela gets help, it is alright. Gangasagar Mela, too, should get help. We arrange everything for the event without any help from the Centre,'' she said after inaugurating three helipads at the island.

Mamata also demanded to declare the Bengal's annual event as a national fare.

The CM also lambasted the Centre for not paying its dues under the 100-day job scheme. When asked about Central team's Bengal visit, she said, "I do not want to do politics standing in front of a temple. First they should clear our dues under 100-day job scheme, then focus on politics.'' She visited the temple of Kapil Muni and offered prayer.

Mamata was on her annual visit to Sagar Island to oversee the preparedness for the event. Hitting out at the Centre, she said pilgrims heading for the fair venue are to cross Muriganga river. "I repeatedly requested the Central government for constructing a bridge over the river. I also wrote to Union minister Nitin Gadkari. Now we have decided to construct the bridge, which will cost ₹10,000 crore. We are preparing detailed project report in phases for the work,'' she said. The CM also announced an insurance coverage of ₹5 lakh in case anyone dies during the fair, which will continue from January 8-17.

She said the state government does not only bear the expenses for the fair but also carries out several development works in the island.

"We have constructed guest houses where tourists from abroad can stay. The state government built 10,000 permanent toilets at the fair venue for pilgrims,'' the CM stated. 15 departments have been engaged to arrange the annual fair.

**OUTREACH**

## Landless poor in MP to get pucca house, says Chouhan

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bhopal

AIMING to ensure that no one has to live in grass-thatched or kutcha houses in the state, Madhya Pradesh chief minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan inaugurated the CM Residential Plot Scheme in Tikamgarh district on Wednesday. "Now no person will live in grass-thatched or kutcha houses in the state.

The government will provide residential land pattas to all the poor and homeless. Under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana and Chief Minister Jan-Awas Yojana, pucca houses will be constructed on these leases. This is not just a lease, but the respect of the poor, their honour. Now no one will be able to tell them to leave their place," the CM said.

Residential land plots worth ₹129.37 crores were distributed to 10,918 beneficiaries in the Bundelkhand region's district. Chouhan also laid the foundation of development works worth ₹255 crores. While interacting with the beneficiaries of the new scheme, Chouhan instructed the officials that all basic facilities like road, electricity, water, sewage line should be made available.

# BJP, JMM trade charges over Jain holy site in J'khand

MUKESH RANJAN @ Ranchi

AMID protests across the country over declaring Sammed Shikharji into an eco-tourism spot, the BJP and the JMM are locked in a blame game.

Blaming the BJP, the ruling JMM in the state claimed that the notification declaring Sammed Shikharji a tourist spot was issued on October 22, 2018 and the same notification was published in the official gazette on February 16, 2019 by the Raghubar Das government.

The BJP, on the other hand, accused the JMM of misleading people claiming that the pary has always worked to keep the sanctity of Sammed Shikarji intact.

According to JMM general secretary Supriyo Bhattarcharya, the BJP is hatching a conspiracy against the non-violent Jain community and it should seek apology. The BJP wants to finish the community and the recent attack on its religious place in Gujarat is a case in point, he said.

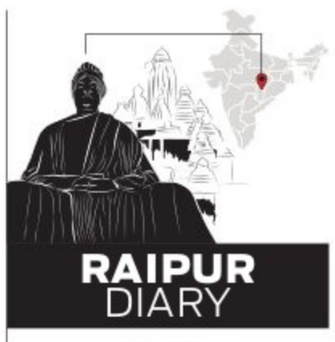
**'Fear of loss of sanctity'**
After the Hemant Soren-led government declared Sammed Shikharji into an eco-tourism spot, the news sent the community into a frenzy. They fear that the decision could disrupt Sammed Shikharji's sanctity

"The development took place in 2018 during the tenure of the then Chief Minister Raghubar Das. On the basis of the Jharkhand government's order, the BJP government at the Centre issued the similar notification declaring Sammed Shikarji as an eco-tourism spot," said the JMM leader.

"The JMM-led government is always with the Jain community. When the Jain community raised its concern over the issue after meeting Chief Minister Hemant Soren, he immediately directed the district administration to ensure sanctity of the religious place," the leader added.

Bhattacharya added that Sammed Shikarji being located at the highest peak, it is the 'Taj' of Jharkhand and the JMM-led government will never allow any force to play with its sanctity.

The BJP alleged that the controversy started only after the gazette was published by the Hemant Soren government on February 17, 2022.

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### Shortage of IAS officers in state

Chhattisgarh is facing shortage in nearly 25 per cent of the sanctioned strength of 193 cadre posts in the state. The issue has become more challenging for first time as twenty officers, the highest number ever, are on deputation — 17 are serving in key ministries in the Centre and three officers are in their home state under inter-cadre transfer. Most of the 20 IAS officers working outside the state are seniors. Besides there are 27 IAS posts lying vacant, which includes 10 in the regular recruitment and 17 from those to be filled through appointment of non-cadre officers to cadre posts. There remains a shortage of 47 officers.

### C'garh ex-bureaucrat to join NDTV Board

Aman Kumar Singh, who is listed as the most powerful bureaucrats in the country, known to be the longest-serving official in any chief minister's secretariat, assumed a key position as one of the directors named by Adani group to the board of NDTV. According to regulatory filing, the Adani Group acquired control of NDTV, holding 64.17 per cent. Singh, whose success mantra remains 'fail fast, fail often' has been taken on board of Adani Group in November last year as the Group Head-Corporate Brand Custodian. Besides Singh, the others who strengthened the Board of NDTV include Sanjay Pugalia, Senthil Sinniah Chengalvarayan and ex-chief secretary Sunil Kumar.

### From cricket to new rail: An eventful year

Apart from the likely bipolar contest between the Congress and BJP during October-November assembly polls this year, there are major events that are to come off in the state. The cricket fans will see the first-ever international day and night one day cricket match on January 21 in Raipur. NMDC's Nagarnar steel plant —the first in Bastar zone — will begin its production around mid-2023. The state is gearing-up for two major events — the 85th plenary session of the Congress in February and the G-20 financial working group meeting in September and new rail connectivity from new capital city Nava Raipur-Atal Nagar, where the CM House is likely to be shifted.

# Maha Oppn seeks probe into cost escalation in bridge contract work

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

THE Opposition has demanded a probe into cost escalations of the chain bridges construction contract from initial ₹2.26 crore to ₹540 crore on Wednesday. The state public works department had given this bridge's construction contract to Khare and Tarkunde Infrastructure Pvt Ltd, Nagpur. Leader of Opposition (LoP) and senior NCP leader Ajit Pawar said that it is shocking and surprising to see such high value escalations of bridge construction costs.

He said that this was a waste of public and honest taxpayer's money. "A high level, proper probe should be carried out to check why and how this cost escalated from initial ₹2.26 crore to ₹540 crore for bridge construction contract. Action should be taken against officials and ministers who are guilty," Pawar said.

He pointed out that the contractor initially demanded ₹5 crore for his work, but the government refused to pay and decided to fight the case in respective court but ended up paying almost ₹540 crore.

"Government has to either carry out the judicial probe or they can set up a special investigations team (SIT) as it is the most favourite of this incumbent government. The truth should come out in the public domain. This is after all people's and honest tax payers money. The contractor is happy because he got a huge amount but what about the loss that the government exchequer suffered," asked Pawar.

He said that the matter was taken to the Supreme Court, therefore the government officials must have pressurised the state cabinet to approve and release the fund to avoid the contempt of court. "But this is wrong and not acceptable. The respective minister's role should be probed, whether they were also involved in cost escalation decisions," he added.

**SHIFTING POWER**

## AAP rejigs Guj unit, appoints Isudan Gadhvi as state chief

DILIP SINGH KSHATRIYA @ Ahmedabad

THE Aam Aadmi Party on Wednesday rejigged in Gujarat unit, replacing state president Gopal Italia, according to a party statement. He was made national joint secretary. Italia will also be co-in charge of AAP in Maharashtra.

Isudan Gadhvi, the chief ministerial face of the party in the recent Gujarat assembly elections, was appointed as the party's state president.

In its organisational rejig, the AAP divided Gujarat into six zones with separate working presidents for each ones. Alpesh Kathiria has been appointed as Surat working president, Dediapada MLA Chaitar Vasava South zone working president, Dr. Ramesh Patel is in North Gujarat zone, Jagmal Wala in Saurashtra zone, Jeval Vasra in Central Gujarat zone and Kailash Gadhvi in Kutch zone are working presidents. Isudan Gadhvi and Gopal Italia thanked Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal for giving them the new responsibilities on social media.

# Nature's fury: Houses sinking, people told to move to safer areas

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

ALARMED by cracks that have appeared in several houses, the Chamoli district administration in Uttarakhand has advised all residents to vacate their houses as a precautionary measure. Land in some areas where cracks in dwelling units have surfaced is "sinking." For instance, in Joshimath town, considered the gateway to Badrinath, 581 houses have developed cracks due to frequent landslides, sending panic and chaos among the people.

The administration has shifted five families to the municipal guest house due to security reasons. As many as 22 other families have left their homes and moved elsewhere. Officially, 121 houses have developed serious cracks. Speaking to this paper, Chamoli District Magistrate Himanshu Khurana said, "We are guiding people and making arrangements for those who are vacating their homes to stay in Dharamshala or hotels. Warnings have been issued to those families who continue to stay in their homes despite cracks."

The administration is fully prepared, he said, adding, the disaster management system has been put in alert mode, said the DM. "We have requested the secretary disaster management to arrange the visit of experts from IIT Roorkee. Only they can suggest a long-term solution," said the DM.

As per the information received at the district headquarters, the entire city is in the grip of a scare over the continuous "land sinking" in Joshimath. The cracks in houses are widening, and the ground is bursting open, forcing water to seep out. The families that have been shifted to the Nagar Palika guest house are the ones living near the police station. The cattle have been taken away to other places after a cow shed was damaged.

121 houses have developed serious cracks in Joshimath and as many as 22 families have left their homes and moved elsewhere, officials said | EXPRESS

**Cracks in houses are widening, ground bursting open**

Land in some areas where cracks in dwelling units have surfaced is "sinking." The cracks in houses are widening, and the ground is bursting open, forcing water to seep out. The families that have been shifted to the Nagar Palika guest house are the ones living near the police station.

# Man makes sculpture in memory of dead wife

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Kolkata

Donning gold jewellery and weighing 30 kg, statue of Tapas Sandilya's wife is seated on a sofa at her favourite place in the house | EXPRESS

A retired civil servant in Kolkata spent ₹25 lakh to install a life-like silicon structure of his wife who died during Covid-19 pandemic's second wave. The statue weighing 30 kg and donning gold jewellery is seated on a sofa at the homemaker's favourite place of her residence. The love for his wife, 65-year-old Tapas Sandilya's act has drawn attraction of curious neighbours and visitors from outside the locality of his residence in Kaikhali.

''Me and my wife Indrani visited the Iskcon temple in Mayapur in Nadia district ten years ago and could not stop admiring the life-like statue of the order's founder AC Bhaktivedanta Swami. It was then that Indrani had shared her desire for a similar statue of hers if she happened to pass away before me. I have fulfilled my wife's abiding wish,'' said Sandilya, a retired central government employee.

The man lost his wife on May 4, 2021. Sandilya, who spent 39 years with his wife, began his search on the internet for someone who could make his wish come true a few months after Indrani's death. He found sculptor Subimal Das in the beginning of 2022.

Das in his mid-40s, who mostly makes silicon replicas for museums, said this one was his most challenging assignment. "Keeping Sandilya's sentiment in mind, it was absolutely necessary for the statue to have a realistic facial expression. I collected photographs of Indrani from different angles and first made a clay model which formed the basis of the fibre moulding and the silicon casting,'' said Das.

Sandilya admitted that he encountered some opposition to fulfil his wife's desire. "My relatives and other family members strictly opposed the idea of installing such a life-like sculpture of my dead wife. But they gave in realising my determination,'' he said.

Das took six months to complete the sculpture. ''The grafting of hair took almost a month to complete. Sandilya wanted a few grey streaks to make the statue more life-like. I also visited the tailor who would prepare clothes for Indrani to get actual measurement of her body shape,'' he added. The statue is clad in a silk sari from Assam which Indrani wore at her son's wedding reception.

Recalling his most painful phase of life, Sandilya said, ''I was in isolation at home while Indrani was taken to a hospital in Kolkata. I can never forget that moment when I could not accompany my wife on her way to the hospital. Now I live with her sculpture.''

# Nitish embarks on 'Samadhan Yatra' today, BJP calls it a political stunt

RAMASHANKAR @ Patna

FACING a relentless attack from BJP over Chhapra hooch tragedy and alleged rising crime graph, Bihar chief minister Nitish Kumar will embark on Samadhan Yatra from Valmikinagar in West Champaran district from Thursday. Nitish will primarily review implementation of various government schemes including his pet Jal-Jeevan-Hariyali drive during his Samadhan (solution) Yatra. He will be visiting various districts during his first phase of Yatra which will conclude on January 29.

Nitish will not hold any rally and also not address any public meeting during the Yatra as it will be an official exercise. The schedule of his Yatra was announced by the state cabinet secretariat department. This will be his 14th Yatra since the first one in 2005. In addition to reviewing implementation of various development schemes, Nitish will also hold meetings with select groups and will try to know local problems from them during the Yatra.

He will also hold district level review meetings in which ministers in charge of respective districts, chief secretary, DGP and officers concerned will participate. Besides them, ministers and officers concerned will also join the meeting through video conferencing. Local MPs, MLAs and MLCs will participate in these meetings as per their wishes.

Meanwhile, BJP has taken a dig at Nitish over his 'Samadhan Yatra' as former Bihar deputy chief minister and MP Sushil Kumar Modi said that Nitish was embarking on his this journey to avoid quitting the CM post immediately under RJD's pressure.

"Nitish will somehow keep delaying the coronation (CM post) of RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav till 2025," he quipped. Leader of opposition Vijay Kumar Sinha alleged that Nitish had gone on similar Yatras in the past too but his main objective was to enjoy picnics through them. "If Nitish really has the moral courage, he should meet family members of those who died in various hooch tragedies and criminal incidents," Sinha remarked.

State BJP president Sanjay Jaiswal said that Nitish was only doing a 'political stunt' by embarking on Samadhan Yatra. He asked Nitish to remove 'vyavdhan' (hurdles) coming in the way of development of Champaran before starting his yatra from there. Nitish Yatra is taking place against the backdrop of poll strategist Prashant Kishor's ongoing 'Jan Suraj Yatra'.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby notified to the general public that **Thumbesh Halnur,** S/o H S Renukananda is the absolute owner of converted residential property bearing Site No.21-NE in "Nisarga North Extension" Layout situated at Sy No.31 of Harapanahalli Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District within the administrative jurisdiction of Kallabalu Village Panchayat of Bangalore Urban District measuring 2400 square feet .He has lost/misplaced original Sale deed executed by M/s Nirman Shelters (B) Pvt Ltd Rep by its Managing director V Lakshminarayan by their duly appointed GPA holder Sheshadri K in his favor dated 28.11.2005 registered as document No.ANK-1-11294-2005-06, Book-I, Stored in CD No.ANKD87 registered before the Sub-Registrar Anekal in respect of the above mentioned property. In this regard a police complaint is also lodged dated 29/12/2022 vide serial No:429384 Lost Report No: 0429384/2022. If any person/s finds the said lost document, he/she may contact the undersigned along with the said document within **7 days** from the date of this publication.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE/LOST

It is to inform the General Public that my client Ahmed Mujtaba, son of Alyaz hmed, resident of: #57, 2nd Floor, New Bamboo Bazaar, Shivajinagar, Bangalore-560 51, has lost the original documents, (1) Original General Power of Attorney, which document is registered as Document No. 315/81-82, Book-IV, Volume: 121, pages 223 to 225, in the Office of the Sub Registrar, Gandhinagar, Bangalore, dated 08/09/1981 and (i) Original Rectification Deed, which document is registered as Document No. BLN-22485/06-07, Book-1, CD No.BLND294, dated 14/07/2006, pertaining to the property morefully described in the Schedule hereunder written. In this regard an online complaint is lodged vide Lost Report No.0430579/2022 on30/12/2022 to the jurisdictional police.
It is hereby called upon the General Public that if any person finds the aforementioned documents, he can hand it over to Mr.Ahmed Mujtaba-9886223000 or the undersigned.

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**East by:** Road. **West by:**Private Property (Site No.3)
**North by:**Avalallappa's Property.**South by:**Private Property

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## KUKKE SRI SUBRAHMANYA TEMPLE, SUBRAHMANYA KADABA Tq. D.K. 574238. Phone: 08257-281224, 281700

KSST No: ENG 77/2022-23 Date: 23-12-2022

### Abstract Tender Notification

**(Through e-procurement portal only)**

Following e-Tender is published in Karnataka Govt. e-portal www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in under "GOODS" Category on 22.12.2022 as per Temple requirements. Tender Number: HRICE/2022-23/IND 2984. Brief details of Work: 'Supply and Installation of Computers and Printer to Kukke Sri Subrahmanya Temple, Subrahmanya, Kadaba Taluk, D.K .'. E.M.D.: Rs.8,750.00. Last date & time for receipt of Tenders: **09-01-2023**, 16:00 hours. Date & time for opening of Financial Bid on **10-01-2023** at 16:05 hours. All relevant details of the works are available in the above mentioned e-portal. Any further details can be had from the Executive Officer, Kukke Sri Subrahmanya Temple, Subrahmanya, Kadaba Taluk D.K. 574238.

**Sd/-, President, Management Committee, Kukke Sri Subrahmanya Temple Subrahmanya, Kadaba Taluk, D.K.**

**Sd/-, Executive Officer, Kukke Sri Subrahmanya Temple HRI&CE Department, Subrahmanya, Kadaba Taluk, D.K.**

DIPR/ADM/MCA/1092/22-23 dt. 04.01.2023

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### APPENDIX- IV-A" [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
### Sale notice for sale of immovable properties

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical /constructive / Symbolic (whichever is applicable) possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank, Sadashiv Nagar branch, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **09.09.2022, Rs. 42,54,788.79/- (Rupees Forty two lakhs fifty four thousand seven hundred and eighty eight and Seventy Nine paise only) (as on 04.08.2022)** due to the Indian Bank, Sadashiv Nagar branch, Secured Creditor, from **1. Mr. Amarnath S/o Raja R/o No. 114, 14th Main, 24th Cross, 3rd Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru 560011 (Borrower) and 2. Mrs. Prasannalakshmi W/o Amarnath R/o No. 114, 14th Main, 24th Cross, 3rd Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru 560011 (Guarantor).**
The specific details of the property intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below:

**Property :** All that part and parcel of the property consisting of Flat No. T-03, 4th floor, Sanjana Bliss, Old property no.12, New no.90, BBMP Khata no.1379/525/12, SY no.25/1, Serenity layout, Kaikonndrahalli village, Varthurhobli, Bangalore South Taluk, within the Registration sub-district Bangalore And District Bangalore. Bounded; On the North by Plot no.11, on the South by Plot no.13 & 14 ,on the East by Road and on the West by Plot no. 16.

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| Encumbrances on property | NIL |
| Reserve Price | Rs.45,00,000/- (Rs. Forty Five Lakhs only) |
| EMD Amount | Rs.4,50,000/- (Rs. Four lakhs Fifty Thousand only) |
| Bid incremental amount | Rs.10,000/- (Rs. Ten Thousand only) |
| Date and time of e-auction | 20.01.2023, 10:00AM to 04:00PM |
| Property ID No. | IDIB6583582445 |

Bidders are advised to visit the website (www.mstcecommerce.com) of our e auction service provider MSTC Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call **MSTC HELPDESK No. 033-22901004** and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with MSTC Ltd, please contact **ibapiop@mstcecommerce.com** and for EMD status please contact **ibapifin@mstcecommerce.com.**
For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit: https://ibapi.in and for clarifications related to this portal, please contact help line number '18001025026' and '011-41106131'.
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Date: 04.01.2023 Sd/-
Place: Bengaluru Authorised Officer

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### POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas the Authorised Officer of **Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited,** under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the following borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) to pay the amounts mentioned against their respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices, within 60 days from the date of the said Notice/s, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc till the date of payment and / or realisation.

| Sr. No. | Name of Borrower (s) / Legal Heir(s) and Legal Representative(s) | Outstanding Dues | Date of Demand Notice | Date of Possession | Description of the Property |
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| 1 | Mr. Kurva Rahul Yadav (Borrower) | Loan Account No. 651960066 Rs.21,14,516/- (Rupees Twenty One Lakhs Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred and and Sixteen Only) due as on 31.08.2022 | 24.09.2022 | 04.01.2023 | All that piece and parcel of the converted Residential Site bearing **No. 303** measuring East to West 40' feet and North to South 30' feet, totally measuring 1200 Sft in **"JR URBANIA"** Project having Katha No.150200102800620944/137/303 of Haragadde Panchayath carved in Converted **Sy.No.69** situated at Lingapura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, which is converted for Non-agricultural residential purpose vide Official Memorandum vide Official Memorandum No.ALN(A)&(K)SR:151/2011-12 dated : 31.12.2011 passed by the Deputy Commissioner; Bangalore District, having been approved by the Anekal Planning Authority as per Layout Plan approval order bearing No.APA/LAO/60/2012-13 Dated: 02-11-2012, measuring; East to West : 40'Feet (12.19 Mtrs), North to South : 30'Feet (9.14 Mtrs), **Totally measuring : 1200 Sqft (111.42Sq Mtrs),** Bounded by: East by : Road, West by : Private Property, North by : Site No.302, South by : Site No.304. |

*with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and / or realisation.
However, since the borrower mentioned hereinabove have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the borrower mentioned hereinabove in particular and to the public in general that the Authorised Officer/s of **HDFC** have taken possession of the immovable property (ies) / secured asset(s) described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/them under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the dates mentioned above.
The borrower mentioned hereinabove in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid Immovable Property(ies) / Secured Asset(s) and any dealings with the said Immovable Property (ies) / Secured Asset(s) will be subject to the mortgage of **Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd.**
Borrower(s) attention is/are invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset/s.
Copies of the Pnachanma drawn and Inventory madeare available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower is requested to collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.

**Date: 05.01.2023** **Sd/-Authorised Officer**
**Place: Bangalore** **HDFC Ltd. under SARFAESI Act, 2002**

## SOUTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

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### CORRIGENDUM

PUB/010

The following Corrigendum's may please be noted for the NIT No's mentioned against them to the following tenders:

| S. No. | NIT No. | Corrigendum No./Date | Original Date of Opening | Postponed to |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | 88-CAO-C-SC-2022 Dated 21/11/2022 | Corrigendum No.3 Date:23.12.2022 | 03-01-2023 | 10-01-2023 |
| 2. | 89-CAO-C-SC-2022 Dated 21/11/2022 | Corrigendum No.3 Date:23.12.2022 | 03-01-2023 | 10-01-2023 |
| 3. | 90-CAO-C-SC-2022 Dated 21/11/2022 | Corrigendum No.3 Date:23.12.2022 | 03-01-2023 | 10-01-2023 |
| 4. | PMS-4-CAO-C-SC-2022 Dated 30/11/2022 | Corrigendum No.2 Date:27.12.2022 | 13-01-2023 | 24-01-2023 |

**Intended bidders may please note the Corrigendum 2&3 issued for change in the date of opening in connection with the above Tender Notice.**
All other terms and conditions of the above tender notice remain unchanged and unaltered.
For bid document and other details, please login to website **https://ireps.gov.in**.

**A0015** **Chief Administrative Officer/Const./Secunderabad**

Govt. of Karnataka

## Karnataka Residential Educational Institutions Society, Bengaluru

**(An Organisation of Government of Karnataka)**
No.8, MSB-1, 6 & 7th Floor, Karnataka Marketing Federation Building, Cunningham Road, Bengaluru-560052.

No.KREIS/EE-1/Tender-24/2022-23 Date: 04-01-2023

### TENDER NOTIFICATION

**(Through e-Tendering Only)**

The tenders have been invited for **Construction of Bhovi Samudaya Bhavana at Kolar Town, Kolar District (Tender Indent No. 3076)** through e-portal vide website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** on **05.01.2023.** The last date for receipt of Tenders **04.02.2023.** The details may be viewed at the above website.

**Note :** Any changes in short term tender notification will not be published in dailies. It will be published in e-procurement portal only

**Sd/- Executive Engineer KREIS**

DIPR/CP/3875/Yakshi/2022-23

## HDFC Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited

**HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION LTD. CIN L70100MH1977PLC019916**
**Regd. Office:** Ramon House, H T Parekh Marg, 169, Backbay Reclamation, Churchgate, Mumbai- 400020
**Regional Office :** HDFC House, No.51, Kasturaba Road, Bangalore - 560001. **Ph :** 080 41183000
**Fax:** 080 22275754, **E-mail : customer.service@hdfc.com, Website:** www.hdfc.com

### E- AUCTION SALE NOTICE (Sale through e-bidding only)

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor(s) indicated in Column (A) that the below described immovable property(ties) described in Column (C) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive / physical possession of which has been taken as described in column (D) by the Authorized Officer of **Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited (HDFC Ltd)** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** as per the details mentioned below :
Notice is hereby given to Borrower / Mortgagor(s) / legal heirs, legal representatives (whether known or unknown), executor(s), administrator(s), successor(s) and assign(s) of the respective Borrower(s) / Mortgagor(s)(since deceased), as the case may be, indicated in Column (A) under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited (HDFC Ltd)** Secured Creditor's website i.e. **www.HDFC.Com**

| | (A) | (B) | (C) | (D) | (E&F) | (G) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SI | Name/s of Borrower(s)/ Mortgager(s)/ Guarantor(s)/ | Outstanding dues to be recovered (Secured Debt) (Rs.)* | Description of the Immovable Property / Secured Asset (1 Sq. mtr. is equivalent to 10.76 Sq.ft) | Type of Possession | Reserve Price (Rs.) ---------------- Earnest Money Deposit (Rs) | Date of Auction and Time |
| 1 | Mr. Tekkalakote Sangappa (Borrower) | Rs.42,73,421/- in Loan Account No.632480419 and Rs.1,50,168/- in Loan Account No.633418689 totally accruing to Rs.44,23,589/- (Rupees Forty Four Lakhs Twenty Three Thousand Five Hundred and Eighty Nine Only) due as on 30.04.2021 | All that piece and parcel of residential apartment bearing **Flat No. 2021 in the 2nd floor, in the 2nd Block** of the apartment complex known as **OPTIMA,** in the project **'THE TATA NEW HAVEN'** having carpet area of **578 sq.ft. (53.69 sq. mtrs.)** super built up area of **814 sq. ft. (75.62 sq. mtrs),** which is inclusive of proportionate common areas together with exclusive right to use one covered car parking space in basement and undivided share of **0.371%** equivalent to **302 sq.ft** in the land on which the building is constructed which is situated on land bearing **Sy Nos.2/3,2/4,3/2,3/3 & 4/2, SY.NO.2/3, 2/4, 3/2, 3/3 & 4/2,** Sheshagririrao Palya Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore. | Physical Possession | Rs.40,50,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only) .......................... Rs. 4,05,000/- (Rupees Four Lakhs Five Thousand Only) | 08.02.2023 12.00 PM TO 12.30 PM |
| 2 | Mr. V M Balasubramanya (Borrower) | Rs.22,58,164/- in Loan Account No.633111956 and Rs.1,76,481/- in Loan Account No.633265946 totally accruing to Rs.24,34,645/- (Rupees Twenty Four Lakhs Thirty Four Thousand Six Hundred and Forty Five Only) due as on 30.11.2021 | All that piece and parcel of the **two bed room apartment** bearing **Flat No. 002** in the **Ground Floor** of the Apartment known as **'DS-MAX SKYLISH'** with one covered car parking bearing No.002 measuring super built up area of **958 sq. ft.** and UDS [undivided share] equivalent to about **366 sq. ft.** in the land area on which the building is constructed, together with proportionate share in common areas, lobbies, lift, passages, staircase and other areas of common use. The building **'DS-MAX SKYLISH'** is situated at **Sy. No.20, New Sy.No.20/2,** which **measuring 3 acres,** situated at S. Medahalli Village, Sarjapur Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, Bangalore. | Physical Possession | Rs.32,00,000 /- (Rupees Thirty Two Lakhs Only) .......................... Rs.3,20,000 /- (Rupees Three Lakhs Twenty Thousand Only) | 08.02.2022 12.00 PM TO 12.30 PM |
| 3 | Miss. Lakshmi P (Borrower) | Loan A/c No: 617613654 Rs.12,46,533/- (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Forty Six Thousand Five Hundred and Thirty Three Only) due as on 31.07.2020 | All that piece and parcel of the **Property No.64,** Flat bearing **No. Bhadra.H.002,** Formed in **Sy.Nos.90/4, 90/3, 91/1A, 92/4, 92/5, Ground Floor,** situated at Valagerahalli, Gnanabharathi Layout, 4th Block, Bangalore, Measuring: 34.46 Square Meters and constructed R.C.C Roofed Flat with all civic amenities, is bounded on the: East by : Bhadra.H.001, West by : Road, North by : Bhadra.H.003, And South by : Pathway and any construction thereon present and future. | Physical Possession | Rs.13,00,000 /- (Rupees Thirteen Lakhs Only) .......................... Rs.1,30,000 /- (Rupees One Lakhs Thirty Thousand Only) | 08.02.2022 12.00 PM TO 12.30 PM |

**1. Inspection Date & Time: 20.01.2023 and 27.01.2023 between 11.AM TO 4.PM**
**2. Minimum bid increment amount: Rs. 20,000/-**
**3. EMD Amount Submission on or before : 06.02.2023 (Before 5.00 PM)**

***together with further interest @ 18% p.a. as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. incurred up to the date of payment and / or realisation thereof.**
**For any assistance related to inspection of the property, or for obtaining the Bid document and for any other queries, please get in touch with Mr.Yogesh.N/Shridhar Chinni official of HDFC Limited through Tel No.080-41182283, 080-41182126/ 9449080072 and 7795853045**
**To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer of HDFC Ltd, there are no encumbrances in respect of the above immovable properties / Secured Assets.**

**Date: 05.01.2023** **For Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd.,**
**Place: Bangalore** **Sd/- Authorized Officer under SARFAESI Act, 2002**

## PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client intends to purchase the Schedule Property from its owner **Sri.GIRISH BHAT,** S/o.late P.M.Bhat., Residing at No:14, 4th Cross, 3rd C Main Road, Rathan Singh Layout **BANGALORE 560032.**
Having acquired the same by way of inheritance and earlier purchased by way of sale Deed dated 07.06.1989 from its original owners. If anyone having Claim, right over the Schedule Property may intimate the same to the undersigned within 07 Days failing which it will be deemed that nobody else has claim over the property.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing **Site No.51 C,** formed out of survey number 33/2, bearing BBMP khata No.**DA95-/97-98** measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 53 feet in all measuring **1590 sq ft** and the site consists of a duplex house consisting of one BHK in the ground floor and a hall and a two Bedroom in the first floor with all appurtenances and the same comes under the B.B.M.P. jurisdiction and is having its new PID No.032-W0334-3, E-swathu PID NO.95-116-14, situated at New No. 14, 4th Cross, Rathan Singh Layout, Kavalbyrasandra, BANGALORE– 560032.
**And bounded on:**
EAST BY : Property of Rathan Singh,
WEST BY : Private Property
NORTH BY : 30 feet Road
SOUTH BY : Private property

**B.B.SUDHIR,** ADVOCATE
No:334, 09th Main, 14th Cross,
Indiranagar, BANGALORE-560038
Mob: 98450 22593

## Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-op Bank Ltd.,

Head Office : B.H. Road, Tumkur-572103, Karnataka,
Phone : 0816-2257636 / 4021102-103, Fax : 0816-2255905,
Email : tgmcb_ho@hotmail.com, tgmc.ho@tgmcbank.com, Website : www.tgmcbank.com

### DEMAND NOTICE

**NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF CHAPTER III OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002.**

At their request, Bank has extended credit facilities to the below mentioned individuals against secured assets through its below mentioned branches. The relevant particulars of the property on which they have created security interest by execution of security agreement/documents & creation of mortgage by way deposit of title deeds are furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/ credit facilities have become irregular, the debts have been classified as Non Performing Assets in accordance with the directives / guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrower in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice sent by register AD calling upon them, was un-served/ not acknowledged / addressee left / this publication is now issued.

**1. Name and Address of the Borrower: (1) Mrs. Sumathi** W/o Rajkumar V, # 52 1 St Main Road, Lakshmipuram Halsuru, Bangalore -560008 **(2) Mr. Rajkumar V** S/o Late Velu M S, # 52 1 St Main Road, Lakshmipuram Halsuru, Bangalore -560008 **(3) Mr. Mageshram** S/o Jagadish, No 35, Bhavani Street, Opp Kumarans High School, Vijinapura, Bangalore-560016.

**(Details of Hypothecated assets and details of mortgaged properties of the Borrower)**

**Item No.1 :** All that piece and parcel of the immovable property consisting of land together with residential Building comprising of Ground and First Floor Premises bearing Municipal Old No 52, New No 6, PID NO 82-46-6, situated at 1st main road, Lakshmipuram In BBMP Ward No 82, Halasuru Bangalore-560008, (Formerly No 52, 1ST Main Road Laxmipuram, Ulsoor, Civil Station, Bangalore ) being Bounded on the : East by : Private property (Formerly site no 10), West by: Private property (Formerly Site Belonging to Pachappan Mudaliar ), North by: Private property (Formerly site no 12), South by: Road (1st Main Road,Lakshmipuram ) And Measuring on the: East : 48'-0" (Forty eight feet), West :46'-0" (Forty Six Feet), North :16'-6" (Sixteen Feet Six Inches ), South :16'-0" (Sixteen Feet) In all measuring 763.75 Square feet, together with the building, structures and fittings now standing there on.

**Account Number : 30305014404** **Limit : Rs.25,00,000/-**

**Out Standing Loan Amount :- Rs. 23,53,460/-** (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs Fifty Three Thousand Four Hundred & Sixty Only) as on **Dt. 31.12.2022** together with further interest thereon with effect from **Dt. 01.01.2023** at the contractual rates together with costs, charges, other monies until payment or realization.

**Date of NPA: 31.12.2022** **Demand Notice dtd: 04.01.2023** **Branch : Indiranagar Branch, Bangalore**

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of the notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (2) of the section 13 of SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section (13) of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtained written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

**Date : 04.01.2023** **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
**Place : Bangalore** **TUMKUR GRAIN MERCHANTS CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,**

## PUBLIC NOTICE

GENERAL PUBLIC are hereby notified that I am SRI. CHHOGA RAM, S/o Sonaramji had enter into an Agreement for Sale with SHRI VELARAM, S/o Sonaramji, SRI. KASANARAM, S/o Velaram, SHRI KEWALRAM, S/o Velaram, and SHRI CHELA RAM CHOUDHARY, S/o Velaram, They are represented that, we are the absolute owners having marketable title over the schedule property and that they have willing to transfer the same to my name.
Wherefore, If any person/s, financial institutions or any other entity opposing the sale of the schedule property or having any interest or lien of whatsoever nature therein are required to approach the undersigned with authenticated documents in support of their claim within one (1) week from the date of publication of this notice. Objections received thereafter will not be considered and I will proceed with the sale transaction immediately thereafter, as if there are no objections from any quarters or objections if any are waived.

**SCHEDULE A PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Nos.177 to 181 (previously 24 again renumbered as 29, 30, 30/1, 30/2 and 31 later 49, 50, 51, 52 and 53 subsequently 53, 54, 55, 56 and 57) situated at Arcot Srinivasachar Streeet, Bengaluru, corporation Division No.29, in all measuring 3,525 sq.ft.,and bounded on the:-
**East by:** Arcot Srinivasachar Road **West by:** Conservancy and Swiss House **North by:** Private Property belonging to Sri.M.Ramachandra & another. **South by:** Private Property known as Tanksal Tower

**SCHEDULE B PROPERTY**

68.96 (Sixty Eight Point Nine Six) sq.ft. of undivided share and interest in the land of the 'A' Schedule Property, measuring 3,525 sq.ft.

**SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY**

Half Share, right, title and interest in the three shop units in the ground floor privately numbered as 1, 4 and 5 in all measuring 464.06 sq.ft. of built up area constructed on the property bearing Nos.177 to 181 (old Nos.49, 50, 51, 52 and 53), BBMP Ward No.120, PID No.29-112-181/1 known as RK Complex, situated at Arcot Srinivasachar Streeet, Bengaluru, together with 68.96 sq.ft. of undivided share and interest in the land situated at Arcot Srinivasachar Street, Bengaluru, carved out of Schedule 'A' Property and bounded on the:-
**East by:** Arcot Srinivasachar Street **West by:** Shop No.6 belonging to M/s.Ratna Kaveri Associates **North by:** Property belonging to Sri. M.K.Ramachandra and another **South by:** Shop Unit Nos. 19, 2, 3, 21 and 22 belonging to M/s.Ratna Kaveri Associates

**SRI. CHHOGA RAM,** S/o Sonaramji,
Aged 56 years, Residing at No.45, Salco
Building, P.V.R. Road, Jolly Mohalla,
Bengaluru-560 053.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Our clients are desirous of purchasing the residential property now bearing Municipal No.18/4, (PID No.75-53-18/4), Muniswamappa Road, Halasuru, Bangalore totally measuring 2,275.0 sq. feet, along with construction of Ground, First Floors comprising of five houses thereon, which is detailed in the schedule hereunder from Sri. N. LAKSHMAN RAJU Uruf BALARAMA, S/O sri. M. Narayanappa, residing at No.1, (first floor), "K-7 Residency', Marappa Road, Halasuru, Bangalore-8, who represent that he is the absolute owner of the said property by virtue of a registered Will dt.27-01-1999 of Late Munipillappa.M S/o Munithimmappa.
Any person/s asserting any right, title, or claim in the schedule property or any part thereof in any manner or having any claim against the schedule property or the documents thereof or against the said owners or objections to intended sale in favour of our client should write to the undersigned within **10 (TEN) DAYS** of the issuance of this public notice with all documentary proof on which they are asserting their right with regard to the schedule property or any part thereof and in the absence of which within such period, our client shall proceed to purchase on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the schedule property.

**SCHEDULE**

All that piece and parcel of the residential property now bearing Municipal No.18/4, (PID No.75-53-18/4), Muniswamappa Road, Halasuru, measuring East to West=65ft. and North to South=35ft., totally measuring 2,275.0 sq. feet, along with construction of Ground, First Floors comprising of five houses thereon and being bounded on: East by: Modaliar's Property; West by: Road; North by: Lakshmaiah's Property; South by: Munikrishnappa's property.

Sd/- **G.P. MALATESH BABU, L.Y. PREMAVATHI,** Advocates,
No.7, Corpn. Bulg. 'G' Street, Halasuru,
BENGALURU-08,
Ph: 9449013409 / 9448140983

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## STATE BANK OF INDIA

**Asset Recovery Management Branch**
**44, First Floor, Eldams Road, Teynampet, Chennai - 600 018. Ph: 044-24338112/0393/ 24330392. E-Mail: sbi.70674@sbi.co.in**

### NOTICE TO BORROWER (DEMAND NOTICE)

A notice is hereby given that the following **Borrower/s Shri.G.Shankar, S/o Shri. Gangappa & Smt.Manjusha W/o G.Shankar,** have defaulted in the repayment of Principal and Interest of the loan facility obtained by them from the bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Asset (NPA). The notices issued to them under Section 13(2) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 on their last known addresses, but those have been returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice.

| Name of the Borrower & Address Housing Term Loan A/c No: 37592977952 Branch :SBI, RASMEC, Hosur-635126 | Details of Properties/address of Secured assets to be enforced | Outstanding Amount - Date of NPA - Date of Notice |
|---|---|---|
| 1) **Shri.G.Shankar, S/o Shri. Gangappa & Smt.Manjusha W/o G.Shankar,** No. 109 J Cross, Srinivasapura Colony, BSK-6th Phase 11th Block, Kengeri, Bengaluru-560 060. **Business Address: Sree Raksha Jewels,** 192/1, 80 Feet Road, 4th Stage, Opp Kaveri Furniture, BEML Layout, Raja Rajeshwar Nagara, Bengaluru-560 098. **Property Address: Shri.G.Shankar, S/o Shri. Gangappa,** Flat No.A-015/248, "Sigma Serenity", Ground Floor, Indlabele Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-562107. | **(Immovable Securities) :** Property registered under Sale Deed dated 26.04.2018 executed by Mr.A.R.Shyamasundar , S/o late A.M.Ramakrishnappa and Mr.A.N.Venu S/o late Narayanaswamy represented by their GPA holder, M/s.SIGMA BUILDERS, represented by its partners viz;. Mr.Balaji.T and Mr.Jagadesh Babu V to and in favour of Mr.G.Shankar S/o Mr.Gangappa registered as document No.575/2018-19, SRO, Basavanagudi. **Schedule- A : (TOTAL PROPERTY) :** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing New Sy.No.223(Old Sy.No.173) of the converted land to an total extent of 2 acres, vide conversion order No.ALN(A) (A) SR/107/2010-11 dated 17.03.2010, situated at Indlabele Village,Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on the: East by : Sarjapura Main Road, West by: Sy.No.173, North by : Sy.Nos.180&181 South by : Sai Layout. **Schedule- B:** 372 Sq.ft of undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule "A" property. **Schedule- C:** A Two bedrooms apartment bearing No.A-015, of A Block, now bearing Bidaraguppe Grampanchayath e-Katha No.150200100200320571, flat No.248/A-015, on the Ground Floor of the building known as "SIGMA SERENITY" constructed in the Schedule "A" property, having a super built up area of 1007 square feet (which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and proportionate share in common areas and a share in the club house area) together with one covered car parking space in the basement | **Amount Outstanding: Rs.53,49,619/- as on 17.12.2022 with further interest and incidental expenses, costs from 18.12.2022** <br> **Date of NPA: 14.09.2019** <br> **Date of Notice : 17.12.2022** |

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower (s) and / or their guarantor (s) (whenever applicable) are hereby called upon to make payment of outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of Publication of this Notice, failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of **60 days** from the date of this notice under Sub-Section (4) of section 13 of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.
The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

**THIS NOTICE SUPERCEDES ALL THE EARLIER NOTICES ISSUED UNDER SARFAESI**

**Place : Chennai** **Authorised Officer / SBI ARMB Chennai**

## STATE BANK OF INDIA

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### NOTICE TO BORROWER (DEMAND NOTICE)

A notice is hereby given that the following **Borrower/s Shri.Karthik Chandar M.C, S/o Shri. Chandar. M,** have defaulted in the repayment of Principal and Interest of the loan facility obtained by them from the bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Asset (NPA). The notices issued to them under Section 13(2) of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 on their last known addresses, but those have been returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice.

| Name of the Borrower & Address Housing Term Loan A/c No: 37902492029 Branch :SBI, RASMEC, Hosur-635126 | Details of Properties/address of Secured assets to be enforced | Outstanding Amount - Date of NPA - Date of Notice |
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| 1) **Shri.Karthik Chandar M.C, S/o Shri. Chandar. M, No. 33, 8th Cross, Vijaya Bank Colony,** Krishna Nagar, K.R.Puram, Bengaluru-560 036. **Office Address:** 2) **Shri.Karthik Chandar M.C, S/o Shri. Chandar. M, M/s.Cobra Carbide Pvt., Ltd.,** Ceratizit India, Plot No.124-A, Bommasandra Industrial Area, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-560 099. **Property address:** 3) **Shri.Karthik Chandar M.C, S/o Shri. Chandar. M,** Flat No.C-204, "Sigma Serenity", 2nd Floor, Indlabele Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru-562 107. | **(Immovable Securities) :** Property registered under Sale Deed dated 28.12.2018 executed by Mr.A.R.Shyamasundar , S/o late A.M.Ramakrishnappa and Mr.A.N.Venu S/o late Narayanaswamy represented by their GPA holder, M/s.SIGMA BUILDERS, represented by its partners viz;. Mr.Balaji.T and Mr.Jagadesh Babu V to and in favour of Mr.Karthik Chandar M.C S/o Mr.Chandar.M registered as document No.6956/2018-19, SRO, Basavanagudi. **Schedule- A (TOTAL PROPERTY):** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing New Sy.No.223(Old Sy.No.173) of the converted land to an total extent of 2 acres, vide conversion order No.ALN(A) (A) SR/107/2010-11 dated 17.03.2010, situated at Indlabele Village,Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District and bounded on the: East by : Sarjapura Main Road, West by: Sy.No.173, North by : Sy.Nos.180&181 South by : Sai Layout. **Schedule- B:** 431 Sq.ft of undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule "A" property. **Schedule- C:** A Two bedrooms apartment bearing No.C-204, of C Block, now bearing Bidaraguppe Grampanchayath e-Katha No.150200100200320770, flat No.248/C-204, on the Second Floor of the building known as "SIGMA SERENITY" constructed in the Schedule "A" property, having a super built up area of 1169 square feet which is inclusive of the floors, ceiling and walls between the apartments and proportionate share in common areas and a share in the club house area together with one covered car parking space in the basement. | **Amount Outstanding: Rs.51,06,499/- as on 12.12.2022 with further interest and incidental expenses, costs from 13.12.2022** <br> **Date of NPA: 15.02.2020** <br> **Date of Notice : 17.12.2022** |

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower (s) and / or their guarantor (s) (whenever applicable) are hereby called upon to make payment of outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of Publication of this Notice, failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of **60 days** from the date of this notice under Sub-Section (4) of section 13 of Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.
The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

**THIS NOTICE SUPERCEDES ALL THE EARLIER NOTICES ISSUED UNDER SARFAESI**

**Place : Chennai** **Authorised Officer / SBI ARMB Chennai**

**10** killed after two suicide car bombing in Mahaas district of Hiran region, Somalia on Wednesday

**GLOBAL WEATHER**

LR: Light Rain ● HR: Heavy Rain ● SW: Snow ● TDS: Thundershower ● LC: Light Cloud ● SNY: Sunny

| City | Max | Min | | City | Max | Min | |
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| Beijing | 5 | -7 | TDS | Los Angeles | 16 | 8 | LC |
| Colombo | 31 | 23 | LC | Melbourne | 22 | 13 | HR |
| Dhaka | 26 | 15 | TDS | Moscow | -4 | -22 | HR |
| Dubai | 27 | 20 | SNY | New York | 12 | 6 | LC |
| Houston | 23 | 13 | SNY | Singapore | 31 | 24 | TDS |
| Istanbul | 12 | 8 | LC | Toronto | 3 | 2 | LC |
| London | 13 | 7 | LC | Washington | 16 | 6 | LC |

# Sharp warning by Pak's Taliban to PPP, PML-N heads

Advising people to stay away from leaders, the group says their target is security agency

**ISLAMABAD**

THE banned Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) on Wednesday threatened to target the top leaders of the two major political parties in the ruling coalition if they continued to support tough measures against the militants.

The TTP, which is believed to be close to al-Qaeda, has explicitly warned PM Shehbaz Sharif's Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) and Foreign Minister Bilawal Bhutto-Zardari led Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP)—the two major parties of the ruling coalition. "If these two parties remain firm on their position and continue to be slaves of the army, then action will be taken against their leading people," a statement issued by the militant group said. The group warned that "people should avoid getting close to such leading people." It claimed that the TTP was only waging what it called 'jihad' in Pakistan and "our target is the security agencies occupying the country." It explicitly warned Foreign Minister Bilawal, whose mother, former PM Benazir Bhutto was killed allegedly by TTP militants in a terrorist attack in 2007.

"Although Bilawal is still young, this poor man has not yet witnessed the state of war," the statement said, adding that the PPP leader had declared an open war on TTP.

The group also said that it had not taken action against any political party for a long time but "unfortunately, Bilawal Bhutto Zardari gave the US the status of mother to quench the thirst of his mother's love."

The terrorist outfit also said that PM Sharif had committed support of his entire party in war against TTP to please the US. The warning comes just days after the civil-military leadership of the country met under the banner of the National Security Committee and vowed to show 'zero tolerance' for terrorism in the country.

TTP, also known as the Pakistan Taliban, was set up as an umbrella group of several militant outfits in 2007. *PTI*

**Organisation spares religious political parties**

TTP spared religious political parties, saying there is no scope for action against them. However, it said that "we also request you (religious parties) to refrain from activities against us." On Tuesday, Interior Minister said that there will be no talks with TTP or any other terrorist organisation.

# Russia blames tracking of phone calls by soldiers for their death

A family walks by a destroyed residential building in the city of Lyman, Donetsk region amid the Russian invasion of Ukraine on Wednesday | AP

**KYIV**

RUSSIA has blamed the deaths of scores of its soldiers in a New Year missile strike on its troops using unsecured, traceable mobile phones on the battlefield.

But if Ukrainian forces did use geolocation of phones to target its strikes, it also reveals the Russian army's operational carelessness in the field, say analysts.

Gen. Lt. Sergei Sevryukov said in a statement that phone signals allowed Kyiv's forces to "determine the coordinates of the location of military personnel" and launch a strike.

The Russian military is taking unspecified measures to "prevent similar tragic incidents in the future," Sevryukov said, and promised to punish officials responsible for the blunder.

UK intelligence officials said on Wednesday that Moscow's 'unprofessional' military practices were likely partly to blame for the high casualty rate on the troops.

"Given the extent of the damage, there is a realistic possibility that ammunition was being stored near to troop accommodation, which detonated during the strike, creating secondary explosions," the UK Defense Ministry said.

In the same post, the ministry said that the building struck by Ukrainian missiles was little more than 12 kilometres from the front line, within "one of the most contested areas of the conflict," in the partially Russian-occupied Donetsk.

"The Russian military has a record of unsafe ammunition storage from well before the current war, but this incident highlights how unprofessional practices contribute to Russia's high casualty rate," the update added. *Agencies*

## *Tourist arrivals in Sri Lanka on rise despite economic crisis*

Sri Lanka received over 700,000 tourists in 2022 despite the ongoing economic and political situation in the island nation which is recovering from the worst economic crisis in decades

Mahouts bathe an elephant ahead of Perahera festival at Kelaniya Buddhist temple | AFP

**719,978 tourists in 2022**

This marks a significant increase from the pandemic hit in 2021. In 2021, the tourist arrivals were under 195,000, as per Sri Lanka's Tourism Development Authority

**The tourism authority said that December 2022 recorded 91,691 arrivals behind the year's highest amount of arrivals—96,000 in February and 106,000 in March**

The December arrivals were dominated by over 19,000 from Russia and over 17,000 from India

**A total of 719,978 tourists visited Sri Lanka in 2022**

**ECONOMIC CRISIS**

Sri Lanka, a country of 22 million people, is going through its worst economic crisis since its independence in 1948 which was triggered by a severe paucity of foreign exchange reserves

**The tourist's arrival slowed from April because of the economic and political crisis kicking in**

There have been street protests in Sri Lanka against the government since early April due to its mishandling of the economic crisis

**From April to July, chaos reigned on the island nation with miles-long queues forming at fuel stations and residents coming out blocking roads with empty cooking gas cylinders**

Over 20 people died in fuel queues due to exhaustion in long lines with waiting period extending over 72 hrs

**Sri Lanka Tourism had conducted campaigns to win back tourism industry disturbed by the events connected to economic crisis**

# Make-in-India deal for UAV parts of General Atomics

**WASHINGTON**

IN a move that is expected to help India develop a manufacturing ecosystem for high-end drones, a top US drone manufacturer has announced a partnership with a leading Indian forging company to manufacture main landing gear components, subassemblies and assemblies of remotely piloted aircraft in the country.

San Diego-based General Atomics Aeronautical Systems (GA-ASI), a subsidiary of General Atomics, said its partnership with Bharat Forge Ltd will result in significant capability-building for both companies and provide an impetus to the Indian large, unmanned aircraft industry.

"GA-ASI is eagerly looking forward to working with Bharat Forge in the critical field of aerostructure manufacturing," said Vivek Lall, Chief Executive of General Atomics Global Corporation.

With over five decades of experience in manufacturing a wide range of high-performance, critical safety components, Bharat Forge offers full-service supply capability from concept to product design, engineering, manufacturing, testing and validation, a media release said.

"Bharat Forge's expertise in the field of forging is known globally and their outstanding contributions in the aerospace sector has inspired us to work together for building the next generation of the world's most advanced unmanned aerial vehicles," Lall said.

Baba Kalyani, Chairman and Managing Director of Bharat Forge Limited, said that aerospace is a high technology intensive domain, which relies on product integrity, reliability and zero defect.

Representational image of a drone

"This is a culture by itself and demands a strong focus on people and processes. As part of our Aerospace Growth Strategy, our collaboration with GA-ASI is a strong testimony of our culture in Bharat Forge Aerospace to assimilate and demonstrate the same, as partners to General Atomics, in making India Atmanirbhar," Kalyani said. *PTI*

**ASIA MATTERS**

**Finalising the concept of Jakarta's sea wall**

The construction of a giant sea wall is being finalised by the Jakarta provincial government since this concept is related to spatial planning and intersects with other provinces. Heru Budi Hartono, acting Governor of Jakarta said that, "We sharpened the concept and leave it to the Ministry of Development Planning (Bappenas)." The Governor said that from 2007-2020, many changes have been made to the concept of the giant sea wall in terms of its construction

# Sunak vows to halve inflation, tackle illegal migration

**LONDON**

BRITISH PM Rishi Sunak, in his first major speech of 2023 on Wednesday, pledged to halve inflation, grow the UK economy and stop illegal immigration.

In a speech setting out the Conservative government's priorities for the year ahead, Sunak focused on tackling the UK's slowing economy and made promises to reduce national debt. He also vowed to pass new laws to stop migrants from arriving on UK shores in small boats, as well as cut massive backlogs in Britain's public health service.

"Those are the people's priorities. They are your government's priorities. And we will either have achieved them or not," Sunak said.

"No trick, no ambiguity, we're either delivering for you or we're not. We will rebuild trust in politics through action, or not at all. So I ask you to judge us on the effort that we put in and the results that we achieve." he added.

He did not offer any details, or on how he will end a wave of strikes including by nurses and train drivers that has stoked a sense of national paralysis. *Agencies*

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

My clients have agreed to purchase of all that Property bearing No. New Municipal No. 19, (Old Site No. 1346), having PID No. 34-2-19, Ward No. 124, Hosahalli extension, Bangalore, measuring East to West 35 feet and North to South 50 feet, in all measuring 1750 sq. feet with the Building constructed thereon, from its owner/s K. G. Umesh @ Kallahalli Ganesh Umesh.

Any person or persons having any claim, objections etc. in respect of the said sale transaction pertaining to said property may lodge the same with documentary evidence, with the undersigned **within 7 days** from the date of publication of this Notice. Otherwise my client will proceed with the transcation treating that there are no claims or objections.

**(B.R. Viswanath), Advocate,**
No. 14/8, 2nd Floor, Jain Temple Street, V.V. Puram, Bangalore-4,
**Mob:9845034560, Ph :08022425605**

**TAMIL NADU GENERATION AND DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION LTD**
**Notice Inviting Tenders (E-Tendering Process)**

| Sl. No | Tender Inviting Authority | Specification No. | Total |
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| 1. | CE/MM | M.67 | 1 |
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**ದೊಡ್ಡಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಯೋಜನಾ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ**
ಎಸ್.ಎನ್. ಕಾಂಪ್ಲೆಕ್ಸ್, ಮೊದಲನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ನಗರ ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ಠಾಣೆ ಎದುರು, 'ಡಿ' ಕ್ರಾಸ್,
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**ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ**

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ನಗರ ಮತ್ತು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಯೋಜನಾ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1961 ರ ಕಲಂ 14(ಎ) ರ ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಅರ್ಜಿದಾರರು 'ವ್ಯವಸಾಯ ವಲಯ' ದಿಂದ 'ವಾಣಿಜ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ವಸತಿ ವಲಯ' ಕ್ಕೆ ಭೂ ಉಪಯೋಗ ಬದಲಾವಣೆ ಕೋರಿ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಸದರಿ ಭೂ ಉಪಯೋಗ ಬದಲಾವಣೆಯ ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾವನೆಯ ಜಮೀನಿನ ವಿವರಗಳು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿರುತ್ತವೆ. ಈ ಸಂಬಂಧ ಯಾವುದೇ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ, ಈ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಪ್ರಕಟವಾದ ದಿನಾಂಕದಿಂದ 15 ದಿನಗಳ ಅವಧಿಯೊಳಗೆ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಲಿಖಿತವಾಗಿ ಸದಸ್ಯ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿಗಳು, ದೊಡ್ಡಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಯೋಜನಾ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ದೊಡ್ಡಬಳ್ಳಾಪುರ ಕಛೇರಿಗೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ತಿಳಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ನಿಗದಿತ ಅವಧಿಯ ನಂತರ ಬರುವ ಯಾವುದೇ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

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**Tender Call Notice (3rd)**

No. 04 Date: 03.01.2023

Sealed tenders are invited from the Manufacturers/ Suppliers / Regd. firms or their authorised distributors having valid GST No. and Tax Clearance Certificate, PAN No. and IT Clearance Certificate for supply of Power Ghani and Groundnut decorticator cum grader machine. Details of terms and conditions and specifications may be downloaded from the web site **www.ortss.org** from **6th January'2023 onwards**. The Tender Paper comprising of Technical Bid & Financial Bid should be submitted in separate sealed cover which are to be put in a bigger sealed covers and reach the undersigned by **30th January' 2023 at 1.00 P.M.** through Speed post/ Regd. post/ Courier service only. The tender paper received after schedule date & incomplete in any respect will not be entertained. The undersigned will not be responsible for any delay. The Tender Papers will be opened on **30th January' 2023** at **4.00 P.M.** in presence of the tenderer or their authorised representatives. The tenderer should write clearly in the envelop as **"Tender for supply of Power Ghani"**. The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all other tenders without assigning any reason thereof.

**Sd/- Managing Director**

**POSSESSION NOTICE**

Whereas the Authorised Officer of Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Limited under Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 (54 of 2002), and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued Demand Notice under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following borrowers to repay the amounts mentioned against their respective name together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices, within 60 days from the date of publication of the said Notice, along with further interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and / or realization.

| Loan Account Number | Borrower Name / Co-Borrower Name | Date of 13(2) Notice & Amount (in Rs.) | Date & Type of Possession |
|---|---|---|---|
| **LAN No.:** TL Account No. 20/24 & WCDL Account No. 20/82 **Selling Bank:** Central Bank of India | R.K. Transport (borrower), Rama Krishna (borrower), Raja Kumari (legal heir of N Rajendra Prasad (guarantor), V. Vidyagar (Guarantor), K. Murali Krishna (Guarantor), Patchuri Babu (Guarantor) and N. Manjunath (Guarantor) | Rs. 17,90,35,533/- (Rupees Seventeen Crore Ninety lakh Thirty Five Thousand Five Hundred and Thirty Three Rupees Only) as on 27th September, 2022 | Symbolic Possession on 3.01.2023 |

**PROPERTY DESCRIPTION : 1.** All that piece and parcel of the land measuring 48' x 18'+20'/2, Municipal no.31/1 adjoining to property No.31, Shanthi Road, Shanthinagar, Bangalore - 560027 owned by V.Vidya Sagar and bounded on the East By : Shanthi Road; West By : Premises No.9(2) K.H.Road, belonging to Sri Damodradas Harigovinda Singh Bajaj; North By : The corporation Land leased to K.E.B; South By : Premises No.31, Shanthi Road
**2.** All that piece and parcel of site bearing No.24, situated at Geddalahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, (allotted by the Karnataka Electricity Board Employees Co-operative Society Ltd) Sy.No.36/2, 37/2, 38/1, 2,3 & 39/3) and measuring East to West 60' feet or 18.28 metres, North to South 20'+34'-6"/2 feet or 8.30 metres, total area 151.72 sq.metres owned by Smt.Rajakumari R Prasad and bounded on East By : Road; West By : Site Nos.53 & 54; North By : Road; South By : Site No.25.

The borrowers and Guarantors mentioned herein above have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and to the public in general that the Authorized Officer of ARCIL has taken **Symbolic Possession** of the properties / Secured Assets described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules. The borrowers and guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid properties / Secured Assets and any dealings with the said properties / Secured Assets will be subject to the charge of ARCIL and interest thereon. The Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors attention is invited to provisions of sub section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 05.01.2023
Sd/- Authorised Officer
Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd.

**Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd.,**
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**PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**
H.D.C.No.B2/7310/2022 **e-Short-TENDER NOTICE** Dt.30.12.2022

**Tender is invited for the following work as per details furnished below**

Providing Human Resource 100 Sanitary Inspectors to the Public Health Department, Greater Chennai Corporation for one year on contract basis.

| | |
|---|---|
| Value of work Rs. **3,21,64,800/-** | EMD amount **Rs.3,21,648/-** |
| Tender date and Time **02.02.2023** up to **3.00 P.M.** | |
| Tender open date and Time **03.02.2023 3.30 P.M.** | |

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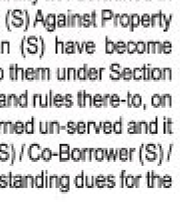

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INDOSTAR

**NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002.**

I, the undersigned as the authorized officer of M/s Indostar Capital Finance LTD, hereby give the following notice to the below mentioned Borrower (S) / Co- Borrower (S) / Guarantor (S) who have grossly failed to discharge their legal liability i.e. defaulted in the repayment of the amount i.e. principal as well as the interest and other charges accrued there-on for Loan (S) Against Property (S) advanced to them by M/s Indostar Capital Finance LTD and as a consequence there-of, the Loan (S) have become Non-Performing Assets ( N.P.A's) of the company. Accordingly, Notice (S) dated - 16.12.2022 were issued to them under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security interest Act, 2002 and rules there-to, on their last Known addresses through India Post on 17.12.2022, however the same have been delivered or returned un-served and it is apprehended that the parties mentioned here-in are avoiding the service of the same, as such the Borrower (S) / Co-Borrower (S) / GUARANTOR (S) named below are hereby intimated by way of this publication notice to clear their entire outstanding dues for the loan facilities availed and also for which securities have been created by them as detailed under:

| Name of the Borrower / Co-Borrower & Address | Description of the Schedule Property | Notice Date & Amount(S) Demanded |
|---|---|---|
| **Borrower–**<br>**1. M/s. Mobile cafe**<br>No 26/4, HMT Main Road, Mathikere, Near South Indian Bank, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560054.<br>**2. Mr. Nagaraj**<br>1148/55/1/5, OppJulli Machine, Adithya Nagar, S. Palya, Vidyaranyapura, Near Maruthi Suzuki Showroom, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560097.<br>**3. Mr. Nagaraj**<br>No 26/4, HMT Main Road, Mathikere, Near South Indian Bank, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560054.<br>**4. Mr. Nagaraj**<br>No. 5 & 6, Oppopsite Adityanagar (Fathima colony), Jarakkabandekaval, M S palya, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore-560097.<br>**Co - Borrower–**<br>**5. Mrs. B Nandini**<br>1148/55/1/5, OppJulli Machine, Adithya Nagar, M. S. Palya, Vidyaranyapura, Near Maruthi Suzuki Showroom, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560097. | All that piece and parcel of Site No.5 and 6 Old Katha No.55/1, Byatarayanapura Nagarasabhe Old Katha No.10438/5/6/55/1, presently BBMP Katha No.1148/55/1/5, Situated at Jarakabande Kaval Village, Yalahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk,, measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 50 feet in all 3000 square feet, and bounded on:<br>**East by** : Site No.4 and Sheik Mehaboob and sons property;<br>**West by** : Site No.7;<br>**North by** : Site No.15 and 16 and remaining property;<br>**South by** : 20 feet wide road; | **16 Dec 2022**<br>₹ **2,02,65,631/-** (Rupees Two Crore Two Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Six Hundred & Thirty One Only)<br>**Loan account no - LSBGL15421-220005428** |

This step is being taken for substituted service of the un-served notice (S). The above mentioned Borrower (S)/ Co-Borrower (S)/ Guarantor (S) are advised to make the payments of amount demanded above along with future interest and other charges accrued there-on, within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which (without prejudice to any other right remedy available with Indostar Capital Finance LTD) further steps for taking possession of the Secured Assets/Mortgaged property will be initiated under the provisions of Sec 13 (4) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of security Interest Act, 2002 and Rules there –to. The parties named above are also advised not to alienate, create third party interest in the above mentioned properties on which Indostar Capital Finance LTD has the first Charge.

Place – Bangalore
Date – 04.01.2023
Sd/-
Authorised Officer

# Telcos may face heavier fine for poor services

Trai reviewing quality of services of telecom operators and would examine if the regulation needs to be stricter

## CALL DROP MENACE

- After launch of 5G, there are instances of call drop in many areas
- As per rule, at least 97% base transceiver stations should be in working condition in a given area to avoid penalties
- If telcos don't fulfill criteria, they are liable for penalties, which starts from ₹50,000 per parameter and goes up to several lakhs
- Earlier, Trai had made it mandatory for telcos to compensate subscribers for call drop

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

THE country's telecom regulator is considering stricter rules for poor quality services by telecom operators.

The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (Trai) is reviewing the quality of service (QoS) of telecom operators, and would examine if the regulation needs to be stricter.

A senior TRAI official told this newspaper if needed they would levy heavier penalties.

"We will soon review the quality of services provided by the telecom operators. After the launch of 5G, it has come to our notice that there are instances of call drop in many areas. Thus, we will examine if we need to strict our parameters," said the official.

However, the official also admitted that telcos should not be burdened with too harsh regulations as 'they also need a space to breathe'.

As per the rule, at least 97% BTS (Base Transceiver Station) should be in working condition in a given area or LSA (Licensed Service Area) to avoid penalties. In case the telecom operators don't fulfill these criteria, they are liable for penalties, which starts from ₹50,000 per parameter, and goes up to several lakhs. A few years back, the telecom regulator came up with a regulation for call drop making it mandatory for telecom companies to compensate subscribers for call drop.

However, the apex court struck down the Trai regulation calling it as "arbitrary, unreasonable and non-transparent. Ever since the telecom operators -- Reliance Jio and Bharti Airtel-- have started deploying the 5G networks, the instances of call drop have increased manifold. Recently, the Department of Telecommunication (DoT) met with all the telecom operators and asked them to improve their services. Another official from Trai reasoned that it is just teething trouble and will improve once the telcos deploy the entire network. He also said the problem was more in 2G, 3G but not in 4G or 5G.

# Google asked to deposit 10% of CCI penalty

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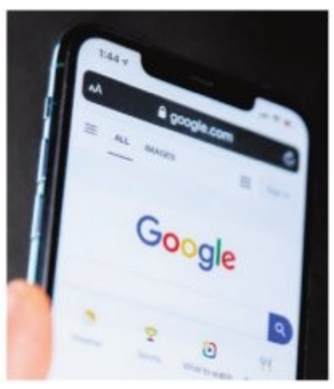

IN a blow to technology giant Google, National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) on Wednesday directed the company to deposit 10% of the fine amount that was imposed by the Competition Commission of India (CCI) before hearing its plea against the order.

However, the appellate tribunal admitted Google's challenge to the CCI slapping a ₹1,337.76 crore fine for abusing the dominant position of its Android smartphone operating system in the country. The CCI had, in October 2022, penalised Google for abusing its dominant position in the Android mobile device ecosystem. Later, the US tech-giant challenged the fine, and moved NCLAT against the order.

NCLAT said, "The appellant is directed to deposit 10% of the fine amount with the Registrar NCLAT as interim measure. Court to hear the application for interim relief and stay on the CCI order on February 13."

Meanwhile, Google told a tribunal that the CCI copied parts from a European Union (EU) ruling against the tech giant in a case relating to the Android operating system' anti-competitive practices. It also asked for CCI's decisions against the company to be quashed. As per the reports, Google in its filing said there are more than 50 instances of copy-pasting, even word-for-word and CCI erroneously dismissed the issue.

The company has accused the CCI of not conducting an impartial and legally sound investigation. The competition watchdog, in its order, asked the company to cease and desist from unfair business practices.

It also asked Google to modify its conduct within a defined timeline, not to force Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) of smart devices to preinstall its own apps or restrict users from uninstalling such apps. Google shall not incentivise or otherwise obligate OEMs for not selling smart devices based on Android forks and it shall not restrict the ability of app developers, in any manner, to distribute their apps through side-loading.

TAX LIABILITY

## Walmart gets $1 bn tax bill for relocating PhonePe

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WALMART Inc. and other PhonePe shareholders could have to pay nearly $1 billion in tax for shifting its domicile from Singapore to India in October.

When enquired Walmart confirmed that they have been served a tax demand. "This is related to PhonePe's redomicile that was announced in October," the US-based retail giant told this newspaper. PhonePe has moved all businesses and subsidiaries of PhonePe Singapore to PhonePe Pvt Ltd - India. This includes its insurance broking services and wealth broking businesses. Recently, the fintech platform became a wholly India domiciled firm. It plans to raise $1 billion this month. Both Flipkart and PhonePe announced full ownership separation of the latter. PhonePe, which was acquired by Flipkart in 2016, has 43 crore registered users and digitised over 35 million offline merchants. PhonePe in October said its board approved creation of a new ESOP plan and migration of over 3,000 employees' existing ESOPs by issuing new ESOPs under PhonePe India's plan. Under the newly liberalised automatic ODI rules, it also moved the ownership of recently acquired IndusOS Appstore (OSLabs Pte Ltd) from Singapore to India.

## Never quoted $3 bn valuation, says Mamaearth

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

DAYS after it was widely trolled for seeking an exorbitant valuation, Mamaearth's co-founder Ghazal Alagh on Wednesday responded to reports that the start-up's parent company Honasa Consumer is seeking a ₹24,000 crore ($billion) valuation in its prospective IPO, a price-to-earnings (PE) ratio of over 1,700x.

Alagh said in their draft red herring prospectus (DRHP), as is the standard practice, there is no mention of valuation. "Valuation discovery is a process which will take place over time as we get into deeper conversations with investor community... We have not quoted or subscribe to the valuation numbers which are getting mentioned in various posts on social media," she said in a Twitter post.

Mamaearth's proposed ₹2,900 crore IPO has raised serious valuation concerns. The company was last valued at $1.2 billion in January 2022. One year later, Honasa, according to reports, is seeking a valuation of $3 billion through its IPO.

Many users on Twitter called Mamaearth 'another Paytm in the making' as the fintech giant which was seeking a ₹1.4 lakh crore valuation at the time of IPO in late 2021 is currently valued at about ₹35,000 crore.

Alagh statement's gains significance since market regulator Sebi, post debacle of Paytm on the exchanges, had taken tough stance on 'valuation' to protect interest of retail investors. Add to it, retail investors who have been "once bitten, twice shy" would not be willing to invest in a barely profit-making firm seeking a very high valuation. Start-ups like Snapdeal, Mobikwik and Boat have postponed their IPO plans. At the end of FY22, Honasa Consumer posted a net profit of ₹14 crore and revenues of ₹943 crore. It had reported losses of ₹1,332 crore in FY21 and ₹428 crore in FY20. Suman Bannerjee, CIO, Hedonova, an AIF firm investing in alternative assets such as NFTs, crypto and P2P lending, said on Wednesday Mamaearth will see a 70% drop in share prices one year after the IPO and this is a class action lawsuit waiting to happen.

## Ahead of FOMC minutes, Sensex, Nifty plunge 1%

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

DOMESTIC equity market fell sharply on Wednesday and snapped their two-day gains as the Street awaited release of the minutes of the US Federal Reserve's latest meeting.

The BSE Sensex gave up the 61,000 level and closed 637 points lower (down 1%) at 60,657. The NSE Nifty, on the other hand, shed 190 points (down 1%) to close at 18,043 level. Among Nifty50 constituents, JSW Steel, Hindalco Industries, Coal India, Tata Steel and ONGC were the top losers, falling between 2-4%.Divis Labs was the only Nifty50 stock that surged over 1% on Wednesday.

The decline was widespread in realty, metal and energy stocks. The broader indices too traded in tandem and ended with a cut of over a percent each. The BSE Midcap and Smallcap indices lost between 1% and 0.8%, respectively.

Vinod Nair, head of research at Geojit Financial Services, said, "The domestic market affected by the worries in the global market, traded with deep cuts. Fears over aggressive rate hikes resurfaced ahead of the release of Fed meeting minutes, a meeting that left the door open for additional hikes. Apart from global cues, the domestic market will pay close attention to corporate earnings." The minutes will be released late on Wednesday.

## Fintech Unicorn BharatPe's loss widens to ₹5,594 crore in FY22

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FINTECH unicorn BharatPe's losses have jumped to ₹5,594 crore in FY22 from ₹1,619 crore in FY21.

However, the company said total loss includes an extraordinary item pertaining to loss in change in fair value of compulsory convertible preference shares amounting to ₹4,782 crore. "This is not an operating loss but only a change in fair value. Excluding this, operating loss is ₹811 crore," it said. The financial results were discussed during the company's AGM on December 31, and the company announced that its CEO Suhail Sameer is stepping down on January 3. BharatPe is yet to file financial statement with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.

Its revenue grew 169% to ₹321 crore from ₹119 crore in the previous year. The revenue is driven by payments volumes on Point of Sale and lending referrals. As per Tracxn report, the company's expenses in FY21 stood at ₹1,804 crore. BharatPe continues to invest in new businesses. It said some of its businesses such as PostPe, which started in the second half of FY22 and Swipe business are still in an investment phase and therefore impacted the short-term operating performance.

"We were facilitating ₹350 crore a month disbursal on average in last fiscal and today, our monthly disbursal is at about ₹1,200 crore across the products. We facilitated disbursals of nearly ₹4,500 crore in 2021-22 and are on track to do ₹15,000 crore across merchant and consumer side this year and remain on track to be operationally positive in next few months," it said. Meanwhile, Ashneer Grover and his wife Madhuri also joined AGM on December 31. Throughout the three-hour long meeting, it is said Grover exhibited unruly, intimidating and threatening behaviour towards the authorised representatives and employees of BharatPe.

CRYPTO

## Exchanges could lose ₹99.3L cr trade volume in 4 yrs

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THE current crypto tax structure may lead to a loss of ₹99.3 lakh crore of local exchange trade volume in the next four years, says a report.

Following the announcement of 30% tax on virtual digital assets (VDAs) in February 2022, domestic crypto exchanges lost 15% of their trading volumes in two months (February and March 2022). Trade volume of about ₹32,000 crore was shifted from domestic VDA exchanges to foreign ones during February-October 2022, said think-tank Esya Centre in its report.

The total trade volume contributed by Indians on foreign centralised VDA exchanges was ₹80,000 crore between July and October 2022. While domestic exchanges lost 15% volumes in February and March 2022, they lost another 14% between April and June 2022. The government had announced 1% TDS on crypto transactions from July 1. Due to this, Indian exchanges lost up to 81% of volumes between July and October 2022. After the 30% tax announcement in February, 17 lakh users switched to foreign exchanges. "VDA adoption by Indians as measured by mobile app downloads fell by a sizable 16% on a month-on-month basis for domestic exchanges."

## HDFC Bank's loans, deposits grow over 19% in Q3

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

PRIVATE sector lender HDFC Bank has reported strong growth in loans and deposits in the third quarter of current financial year.

The bank's advances aggregated to nearly ₹15.7 lakh crore as of December 31, 2022, a growth of about 19.5% over ₹12.6 lakh crore as of December 31, 2021, and a growth of nearly 1.8% over ₹14.79 lakh crore as of September 30, 2022.

The bank's deposits aggregated to nearly ₹17.33 lakh crore as of December 31, 2022, a growth of nearly 19.9% over ₹14.46 lakh crore as of December 31, 2021, and a growth of nearly 3.6% over ₹16.73 lakh crore as of September 30, 2022.

"As per the bank's internal business classification, domestic retail loans grew by nearly 21.5% over December 31, 2021, and nearly 5% over September 30, 2022; commercial and rural banking loans grew nearly 30% over December 31, 2021, and about 5% over September 30, 2022. Corporate and other wholesale loans grew 20% over December 31, 2021," said the bank in a regulatory filing to the BSE. HDFC Bank's retail deposits increased by about ₹67,000 crore during the quarter and grew nearly 21.5% over December 31, 2021, and about 5% over September 30, 2022. Wholesale deposits grew about 11.5% over December 31, 2021, and were lower about 2.5% over September 30, 2022. The bank's current account savings account (CASA) deposits aggregated to about ₹7.6 lakh crore as of December 31, 2022, a growth of 12% over 6.8lakh crore as of December 31, 2021.

### Bajaj Finance AUM grows 27% in Q3

MUMBAI: Bajaj Finance on Wednesday said its assets under management (AuM) grew 27% to nearly ₹230,850 crore as of December 31, 2022, as against ₹181,250 crore a year ago. The AUM in Q3FY23 grew about ₹12,500 crore. Customer franchise as of December 31, 2022, stood at 6.6 crore as against 5.54 crore as of December 31, 2021. It recorded highest-ever quarterly rise in its customer franchise of 31 lakh in Q3FY23. "Deposit book stood at ₹43,000 crore as of December 31, 2022 as against ₹30,481 crore a year ago, a 41% growth YoY," said the company. *ENS*

EXPRESS READ

### Gold prices rise ₹378, silver declines ₹147

NEW DELHI: Gold price rose by ₹378 to ₹56,130 per 10 gram in the national capital on Wednesday amid a rally in precious metal prices globally, as per HDFC Securities. The yellow metal had settled at ₹55,752 per 10 gram in the previous trade. Silver fell by ₹147 to ₹70,675 per kilogram. *PTI*

### CIL, trade unions ink pact for 19% benefit

NEW DELHI: State-owned Coal India Limited (CIL) and trade unions have agreed to a 19% minimum guaranteed benefit of the monthly emolument, benefitting 2.38 lakh non-executive workers, an official statement said on Wednesday. The MoU was signed in Kolkata on Tuesday. *PTI*

### D-Mart Q3 revenue rises 24.7% to ₹11,305 crore

NEW DELHI: Avenue Supermarts, which owns and operates the retail chain D-Mart, has reported a 24.7% rise in its standalone revenue from operations to ₹11,304.58 crore for the third quarter ended on December 31, 2022. The company had revenue from operations of ₹9,065.02 crore in the October-December quarter a year ago. *ENS*

## Business & Beyond

### Taparia launches micro jewellery pliers

Taparia Tools is an ISO-9001-2015 certified company that is a market leader in hand tool segment. Its primary focus has always been on providing high-quality unique,specialised hand tools and specialty tools, among other things. Given the growth of Indian jewellery market in recent years, Taparia Tools is pleased to announce the release of its Micro Jewellery Pliers range. These are specifically designed for jewellery designers and workers. There are numerous types of jewellery-making pliers available, ranging from fundamentals to more specialised requirements of these designers. Flat nose pliers, round nose pliers, and long nose pliers are examples of micro-jewellery pliers.

### SER surpasses scrap sale of ₹300 cr

KOLKATA: Making South Eastern Railway a "Zero Scrap" Railway is one of the mission areas of this zone. Necessary steps are being taken by all the Divisions and Workshops to realise value from sale of unserviceable materials. South Eastern Railway has crossed the scrap sale figure of ₹300 crore by the end of the third quarter of financial year 2022-23 and the total sale achieved is ₹300.63 crore till 31.12.2022. Scrap sale of ₹300.63 crore is 38.56% higher than the corresponding period of last year. It is 30.14% higher than the proportionate target of ₹231 crore up to December 2022 in current financial year.

### BHEL Day 2023 celebrated

BHEL Day 2023 was celebrated at the company's Corporate office in New Delhi where Dr. Nalin Shinghal, CMD, BHEL hoisted the BHEL Flag and addressed a cross-section of employees, in the presence of the Functional Directors on the Board of BHEL and CVO, BHEL. Employees of BHEL's NCR-based divisions participated in the function with great enthusiasm.

## Complaints against banks rise 9% in FY22, maximum cases related to ATM cards

SACHIN KUMAR @ Mumbai

WITH a sharp rise in banking transactions in the country, the number of dissatisfied customers is also on the rise.

The total number of complaints received under various ombudsman schemes against banks has risen by over 9% during April 2021- March 2022. Maximum number of complaints were related to debit cards and mobile or internet banking, according to a report released by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). "Under the erstwhile three Schemes and the RB-IOS (Reserve Bank - Integrated Ombudsman Scheme), during the period April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022, total number of complaints received at the ORBIOs (Offices of RBI Ombudsman) and the CRPC (Centralised Receipt and Processing Center), stood at 4,18,184, showing an increase of 9.39% over last year," said Annual Report of Ombudsman Schemes, 2021-22, released by the RBI on Wednesday. "Share of complaints related to ATM/ Debit Cards, at 14.65% of the total, were the highest followed by complaints related to mobile/ electronic banking at 13.64%," noted the report.

As many as 41,375 complaints were regarding debit cards while 39,388 complaints were regarding electronic banking. Bank customers filed 32,162 complaints regarding credit cards. "Complaints relating to ATM/ Debit Cards have witnessed a decline over the past three years and share of complaints related to mobile banking/ electronic banking has seen a slight increase," said the report. Of the total complaints, as many as 3,04,496 complaints were handled by the 22 ORBIOs.

# BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer (Lakes-Dasarahalli), Room No. 309, 3rd Floor, Annex-3 Building, N.R. Square, Bengaluru - 560 002.

No: EE-(Das-Lakes)/Tend-13/2022-23 Date: 04.01.2023

## SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through e-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer (Lakes-Dasarahalli) Division, BBMP invites tenders from eligible tenderers for the works detailed in the table below.

| Sl. No. | Name of the Work | Approx. Value of work (Rs. in Lakhs) | EMD (in Rs.) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Providing Chain Link Fencing to Lakes Boundary in Dasarahalli and West Zone (Call -II). | 100.00 | 2,00,000/- |

**(1)** Tender documents may be downloaded from GOK e-Procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in from 05.01.2023 onwards. 2)** Last date and time for receipt of Tenders: **19.01.2023 upto 4:00 p.m. 3)** Opening of Tenders: **20.01.2023at 4.30 p.m.** Further details can be obtained from the above office during office hours & also from website: **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

**Sd/- Executive Engineer(Lakes-Dasarahalli)**

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# KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED

**(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)**

**No: SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/AEE-1/F-/2022-23/10244 Date: 04.01.2023**

## TENDER NOTIFICATION

(E-Procurement mode only)

KPTCL invites bid against following enquiry No: KPTCL/SEE/Tr(M)/BMAZ(S)/EE(O)/AEE-1/2022-23/EPR-51-52 Call-2 Dtd:14.12.2022 for procurement of the following T&P Materials pertaining to BMAZ South Circle: (1) Desktop computers (2) Printers .

The Bids will be received through E-Procurement mode only. The detailed notification regarding the subject enquiry of tender can be got by logging on to https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in with hyperlink 'E-Procurement-KPTCL' or to https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in on or after 05.01.2023. Other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned.

**Sd/- Superintending Engineer, Elecl., Transmission (Maintenance), BMAZ South Circle, KPTCL, Bengaluru-560 009. PH-Fax: 22386686-85**

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Syndicate

**Wilson Garden Branch :** No. 376/21, T V Plaza, H Siddaiah Road, Wilson Garden, Bengaluru- 560027.

**Tel No: 080-28605480. e-mail : cb10419@canarabank.com**

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Canara Bank under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **03.09.2022** calling upon the borrower **Sri. Suresh Shetty and Smt. Usha Shetty** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs.76,54,967.00 (Rupees Seventy Six Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Seven Only)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule, 2002 on this **3rd Day of January 2023.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **CANARA BANK Wilson Garden Branch** for an amount of **Rs.80,39,705.07 (Rupees Eighty Lakhs Thirty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Five and Paisa Seven Only)** and interest thereon.

**The Borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.**

**Description of the Immovable Property**

All that Part and parcel of the property consisting of Flat No.504, 5th Floor, Tower No-2, F Block, Elegant Whispering Winds, Nagegowdanapalya, BSK 6th Stage, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru in Sy. No.7/22 within the registration subdistrict Bengaluru South and district Bengaluru Urban and Bounded on : **East By :** Remaining portion of land bearing Sy No. 7/22, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Land belonging to Janapriya Engineers and Builders and **South by :** Private Property.

DATE: 03.01.2023 Authorised Officer
PLACE: Bangalore Canara Bank

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TNPL invites Tender for sale of following Waste material on "as is where is"/ Three Months rate contract basis.

| Tender No. | Material Description | Due Date |
|---|---|---|
| 2022028 | DIP Screw Press Sludge | 23.01.2023 |

Detailed terms & conditions, Qty, Tender Fee, EMD etc., are available in tender document at our websites: **www.tntenders.gov.in / www.tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app.** Corrigendum if any will be issued in **www.tntenders.gov.in** website only.

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Zilla Panchayath, Tumkur

## Office of The Executive Engineer,

Rural Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Tumkur, Phone: 0816-2252937.

**NO.34/EE/RDWS&SD/TMK/JJM/AE-2/2918/2022-23**

**Date: 30.12.2022**

**Short-term Tender Notification**

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water Supply & Sanitation Division Tumkur has Invites request for proposal tenders from the eligible bidders for the One and Two Cover work detailed in the table below. Tender procedure as per rule 28 of the KTPP act shall be followed. The tenders are Required to submit through E-Procurement mode through portal .http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in. from Class-III & above PWD Registered Contractors who have got adequate financial resources & sufficient past experience for the following JJM Works of Gubbi, Koratagere, Sira, and Kunigal Taluk of Tumkur Dist. As per the schedule given below. (Minimum Tender Amount Rs.13.76 Lakhs EMD Amount Rs.34400/- and Maximum Tender Amount Rs.83.77 Lakhs EMD Amount Rs.167540/-)

**Particulars & Details : (1)** Last date of submit bids on e-portal : **10.01.2023** Upto 17.00 Hours. **(2)** Pre Bid Meeting (KW-3 works): Date:**06.01.2023** at 11.00 A M Venue, Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking water & Sanitation Division Tumkur. **(3)** Technical Opening of Bids:**11.01.2023** at 17.30PM onwards **(4)** Financial Opening of Bids: **16.01.2023** at 11.00 AM onwards. For further particulars/details may avail from the office of the undersigned during office hours on all working days and may visit the website : www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in

**Sd/-** Executve Engineer,
RDW & S Division, Tumkur.

**DIPR/TUM/831/MCA/2022-23**

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केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

Syndicate

**Jayanagar 9th Block Branch :** No.1505, 1st Floor, 26th Main, 40th Cross, Jayanagar 9th Block, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560041.

**Tel No: 080 26636388, Mob : 9483532613. e-mail : cb2613@canarabank.com**

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Canara Bank under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **25.10.2022** calling upon the borrower **Sri. Mohan Kumar S** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs.77,06,694.00 (Rupees Seventy Seven Lakhs Six Thousand Six Hundred Ninty Four Only)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule, 2002 on this **3rd Day of January 2023.**

The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **CANARA BANK Jayanagar 9th Block Branch** for an amount of **Rs.77,06,694.00** and interest thereon.

**The Borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.**

**Description of entire property**

**Schedule A :** All that piece and parcel of property bearing BBMP khatha No.21/82/95A/95B, situated at Basavanapura Bannerghatta Road, Arekere Sub division, Bangalore, now property comes under administrative jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, in all measuring 1,11,118 Sq.ft. and Bounded on : **East By :** Bannerghatta Road, **West by :** Private Property, **North by :** Private Property and **South by :** Private Property and Road leading to weavers colony.

**Description of the Immovable Property**

**Schedule B :** All that part and parcel of the property Residential apartment bearing No.806 in the eighth floor of "SMARAN", in the Apartment Building known as, " MAANGALYA ASHIRWAD" to be constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property, measuring 1750 Sq.ft. of super built up area together with 0.58% or 586SFT., of undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' property along with a car parking space in the Lower/Upper Basement/Ground Level and Bounded on : **East By :** Apartment No.807 in the Complex, **West by :** Open Space in Schedule 'A' property, **North by :** Open Space in Schedule ' A' Property and **South by :** Common Lobby & Staircase in Building.

DATE: 03.01.2023 Authorised Officer
PLACE: Bangalore Canara Bank

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**SOUTH INDIAN Bank**

CIN: L65191KL1929PLC001017

Regional Office: SIB Arcade, #61, Wheeler Road, Cox Town, Bangalore – 560 005. Tel./ Fax No: +91 80-25479091 / 92 E-mail: ro1010@sib.co.in. Website: www.southindianbank.com

**[See rule 8 (1)] POSSESSION NOTICE (For immovable property)**

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of The South Indian Bank Ltd. under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notice dated 18.10.2022 u/s. 13(2) of the Act calling upon the Borrower, **M/s. Eurotec Products Private Limited** (formerly known as M/s. Eurosit Products Private Limited), having Registered Office At No. 490F, KIADB Industrial Area, 4th Phase, 14th Cross, Peenya 2nd Stage, Bangalore Urban, Karnataka- 560058 and Guarantors **(1).Mr. Sunny Paul, S/o Paul Peruvellor David, (2). Mrs. Leela Sunny, W/o. Mr. Sunny Paul, and (3). Mr. Lesle Sunny S/o. Mr. Sunny Paul**, all are residing at Brigade Gateway, K 1306 Sirus Wing, Dr. Rajkumar Road, No. 26/1, Industrial Suburb, A Block, Subramanyanagar, Bangalore North, Malleswaram West Bangalore – 560055, Karnataka (Guarantor No 1 & 2 also residing at No. 289/34, 1st Main, 1st A Cross, Srigandhanagar, Hegganahalli, Bangalore, Karnataka- 560091 to repay the amount as mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 60,75,212.00** (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Two Hundred and Twelve only) with regard to CCOL limit, an amount of **Rs.1,13,64,402.01** (Rupees One Crore Thirteen Lakh Sixty Four Thousand Four Hundred Two and one paisa only) with regard to SIBML - Term Loan limit and an amount of **Rs. 19,63,261.92** (Rupees Nineteen Lakh Sixty Three Thousand Two Hundred Sixty One and ninety two paisa only) with regard to Term Loan (ECLGS) limit, all amounts as on 17.10.2022, within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower/guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Symbolic possession of secured property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security and Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this the **04.01.2023**

The borrower/guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The South Indian Bank Ltd. for a total amount of **Rs.1,93,75,094.05** (Rupees One Crore Ninety Three Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Ninety Four and five paisa only) outstanding as on 03.01.2023 with further interest, penal interest and costs thereon.

The borrower's/guarantor's attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset.

**DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of industrial plot admeasuring 14577.75 sq. ft. bearing no. 490-F CMC Khata No. 161, KIADB Industrial area, along with building having built up area of about 1000 sq. ft. and ACC Sheet roofing with a built up area of about 4000 sq. ft. along with all other constructions, improvements, easementary rights existing and appurtenant thereon situated in Sy. No. 46 of 4th Phase, Peenya Industrial Area, Nelagadaranahalli Village, Yeswanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore District coming within the limits of BBMP measuring East to West 85'6" and North to South 170' 6"and owned by M/s Eurotec Products (P) Ltd earlier known as Eurosit Products (P) Ltd., more fully described in Sale Deed No. 2911/2001 dated 01-06-2001 of SRO, Bangalore North and bounded on North: Portion of Plot No. 489 P, East: Eastern Portion of the Industrial Plot, South: KIADB Road, West: Plot bearing No. 490E.

**Date : 04.01.2023** **Sd/- Authorized Officer**
**Place : Bengaluru** **The South Indian Bank Ltd.**

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**APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]**

**Sale notice for sale of immovable properties**

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank, New Horizon College of Engineering branch, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **21-01-2023,** for recovery of Rs. 17,03,433/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Three Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty Three Only) (as on 28-11-2022) due to the **Indian Bank, New Horizon College of Engineering branch,** Secured Creditor, from **Mr. R. Dinesh Kumar,** S/o. Mr. R. Ranganath, Site No. 27, Near Chakra Nagar, Andrahalli Village, Yeshwanthpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560091.

**The specific details of the property intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below:**

Property: All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing Site No. 27, Katha No. 16 & 34, Assessment No. 104/1 & 104/2, situated at Andrahalli Village, Yeshvathapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, now within the Revenue and Administrative Jurisdiction of BBMP, measuring total area of 1425 Sq. Ft

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|---|---|
| Encumbrances on property | Mortgaged to Indian Bank |
| Reserve Price | **Rs. 49,80,000** |
| EMD Amount | **Rs. 4,98,000** |
| Bid incremental amount | Rs .50,000/- |
| Date and time of e-auction | 21-01-2023 |
| Property ID No | Ib6293314076 |

Bidders are advised to visit the website (**www.mstcecommerce.com**) of our e auction service provider MSTC Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call MSTC HELPDESK No. 033-40602403/033-40067351/033-40628253/033-40645316/033-40645207/033-40609118 and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with MSTC Ltd, please contact **ibapiop@mstcecommerce.com** and for EMD status please contact **ibapifin@mstcecommerce.com.**

For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit: **https://ibapi.in** and for clarifications related to this portal, please contact help line number '18001025026' and '011-41106131'.

**Bidders are advised to use Property ID Numbers as** mentioned above while searching for the property in the website with **https://ibapi.in** and **www.mstcecommerce.com**.

**Date:04-01-2023** **Sd/-Authorised Officer,**
**Place :Bangalore** **Indian Bank**

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# NYAYAMITRA SAHAKARI BANK NIYAMITA

**Admn. Office: High Court Building (New Annexe), Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi, Bangalore-560001.**

## THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002. APPENDIX-IV POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized officer of the Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord.3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated **12.09.2022** calling upon the borrower **Manjunath V., S/o. Veeranna** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice and present balance being **Rs. 24,88,935/-** further interest, expenses accrued there on with in 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 8 of the said rules on this **5th day of January of the year 2023.**

The Borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita for an amount **Rs. 24,88,935/-** and interest thereon.

**Borrower Details:**

Borrower Name : **Manjunath V.**
Surety Name : **Geethanjali T.M.**
Loan Amount : **Rs. 24,88,935/-** and further Interest and Expenses accrued.

**Schedule A**

All that piece and parcel of the No.527, Sy No.13, 26th Cross, Seedehalli, Kirloskar Electric Factory Emp Housing Soc Ltd, Bagalagunte, Bangalore Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet, in all measuring 1200 Sq Feet together with all rights presently within the limits of BBMP, consisting of Ground floor, 1st floor and 2nd floor building and other amenities and bounded on: East by : Site No. 526, West by : Site No. 528, North by: Site No. 508, South by: Road.

Date : 05.01.2023 *Sd/-*
Place : Bangalore **Authorised Officer**
Nyayamitra Sahakari Bank Niyamita

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# PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that our clients are intended to Purchase the residential house property bearing No.32, which is more fully detailed in the schedule hereunder from **SMT. A. K. SHOBHINI, SMT.SANJNEE CHANDRA AND SMT.A.K. SWAPNA,** R/at # 27/B, 3RD Main, 38th cross, 8th block ,Jayanagara , Bangalore560070 and also at No. 686, 5th cross, MES Road,Gokula Extn,Muthyala Nagara,Bangalore -560 054 for valuable consideration. Any person/s or financial institutions claiming any charge, lien, right, title agreement, interest or share, claim on the schedule property or objection to such sale in favour of our clients, should lodge his/ her/their/its objection or claim with supporting documents with the undersigned within 10 days of the issuance of this public notice, failing which, our clients will proceed with the purchase of the schedule property on the basis that there are no claims or objections with regard to the purchase of the schedule property and no claim will be entertained thereafter.

**SCHEDULE PROPERTY**

All that piece and parcel of the Residential house property bearing old site No.5 & 6, new No.32, PID No.2-16-32, situated at 5th Main Road, Muthyalanagara, BBMP Ward No.17, Yeshwanthpur Zone, Bengaluru-560 022, formed out of land comprised in Sy.No.28/3 of Jalahalli Village, situated at Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, measuring East to West, Northern site 30 Feet and Southern side 33 Feet, North to South 60 Feet, in all ad measuring 1890 Sq.ft., consisting of ground and first floor of RCC building, measuring 16 Squares with all amenities and bounded on the: **East by :** Property in Sy.No.28/4, **West by :** 20 Feet Road, **North by :** Site No.4, **South by :** Property in Sy.No.30

**H.T.NATARAJ** .B.Com,LLB., Advocate, **HTN LAW ASSOCIATES,** No. 113, 1st Floor, 2nd Main Road, Seshadhripuram,Bangalore-20 **(Mob: 9845012696)**

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**ICICI Home Finance**

**Corporate Office:** ICICI Home Finance Company Limited ICICI HFC Tower, Andheri - Kurla Road, Andheri (East), Mumbai - 400059, India

**Branch Office:** 1st floor, No.165 & 166, Manjunatha Chambers, Shankar Nagar, Main Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore- 560096

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]

**Notice for sale of immovable assets**

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| Sr. No. | Name of Borrower(s)/ Co Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Legal Heirs. Loan Account No. | Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any | Amount Outstanding | Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit | Date and Time of Property Inspection | Date & Time of Auction |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| (A) | (B) | (C) | (D) | (E) | (F) | (G) |
| 1. | Nagasatya Narendra V (Borrower) Kolluru Sarmila Vallabhaneni (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHBNG00001291911 | Site No. 11, 12, Katha No. 972/407/11, 13, Klix Nagar, Bodigere Road, 4th Dvn, Devanahalli Town, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore Rural Dist, Bangalore- 562110 | Rs. 53,58,436/- 31st December, 2022 | Rs. 31,49,280/- / Rs. 3,14,928/- | 17th Jan, 2023 11:00 AM- 03:00 PM | 20th Jan, 2023 02:00 PM- 03:00PM |

The online auction will be conducted on website **(URL Link- /https://BestAuctionDeal.com)** of our auction agency Globe Tech. The Mortgagors/ notice are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till **19th Jan, 2023** before **05.00 PM** else these secured assets will be sold as per above schedule.

The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) RTGS/ Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at **ICICI Home Finance Company Limited, 1st floor, No.165 & 166, Manjunatha Chambers, Shankar Nagar, Main Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore- 560096** on or before **19th Jan, 2023** before **04:00 PM.** Kindly note, in case prospective bidder(s) are unable to submit their offer as per above mentioned time then signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at **ICICI Home Finance Company Limited, 1st floor, No.165 & 166, Manjunatha Chambers, Shankar Nagar, Main Road, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore- 560096** on or before **19th Jan, 2023** before **05.00 PM.** Earnest Money Deposit Demand Draft (DD) should be from a Nationalized/Scheduled Bank in favorof **"ICICI Home Finance Company Ltd. – Auction"** payable at **Bangalore**

For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact **ICICI Home Finance Company Limited** on **7021072869** or our Sales & Marketing Partner NexXen Solutions Private Limited.

The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit **https://www.icicihfc.com/**

**Date : January 05, 2023** **Authorised Officer**
**Place : Bangalore** **ICICI Home Finance Company Limited**

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# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LAKSHADWEEP ADMINISTRATION

**(DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES) KAVARATTI-682 555**

**F.No.42-5/2022-2023DHS (Medicine)** **Dated: 03.01.2023**

## NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Department of Health Services U.T of Lakshadweep Administration, Kavaratti invites competitive E-Tender from the Original Licensed Manufacturers or their Authorized Distributors / Agents for the following work as detailed below.

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| Name of Work | Annual procurement and supply of Allopathic Medicines required for All Health Institutions for the year 2022-23 |
| Tender Fee / Cost of Tender Form | 1000 + 18% GST (Rs.1180) |
| Bid Document available for downloading from | 05.01.2023 10.00 |
| Bid Document available for downloading up to | 27.01.2023 –16.00 |
| Last date & Time for submission of Bid | 27.01.2023 – 16.30 |
| Opening of Technical Bid | 27.01.2023 – 16.30 |
| Opening of Financial Bid | 07.02.2023 – 16.30 |

Tender Document containing detailed terms & conditions and goods required can be downloaded from the website **www.lakshadweep.gov.in** Bidders willing to participate in the tender shall visit the e-tender website **www.tendersutl.gov.in** for participation.

For any help / query, please contact representative of the Department through email **(bufferhealthdhs@gmail.com & healthtenders786@gmail.com or Telephone (04896262819)** and for any help in processing of e-tender please contact E-Tender helpdesk Shri. Sakeer Hussain. Mobile.9447510207.

**(Dr. M.P. Basheer)**
**Director Health Services**
**U.T of Lakshadweep**

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इंडियन बैंक Indian Bank इलाहाबाद ALLAHABAD

**JAYANAGAR BRANCH**
**1540/22, 22nd Main, 39E Cross, 4th T Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560041**

**APPENDIX- IV-A" [SEE PROVISO TO RULE 8 (6)]**

**SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES**

**E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **Indian Bank, Jayanagar 4th T Block branch,** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 22/01/2023,** for recovery of **Rs Rs.55,21,364.61/- (Rupees Fifty Five Lakhs Twenty One Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Four and Paisa Sixty One Only) (as on 03/01/2023)** due to the Indian Bank, Jayanagar 4th T Block branch, Secured Creditor, from **1) Mr. Amrendra, S/o Byranna (Borrower & Mortagager),** 700 Gurudadhri, BHCS Layout 4th Stage, Uttarhalli, Near Patalamma Temple, Bangalore-560061, **2) Smt. Kempamma W/o. Byranna (Guarantor),** At Binnamangala, PO Nelmangala, Bangalore Rural-562123.

The specific details of the property intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below:

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY**

***Schedule-A*** : All that piece and parcel of property bearing New Municipal No.4, Old No.8 & 9, Sy No.19/2 situated at Kadirenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently comes within the Administrative Jurisdiction of BBMP, Padmanabhanagar, New Ward No.181(old Ward No.55), Revenue Layout, Adjacent to Kanaka HBCS Layout, Bangalore measuring 5506.50 Sq.ft

***Schedule-B*** : Flat bearing No.001 on Ground Floor in the building known as "Siri Snow Drops" constructed on the Schedule 'A' property, along with 200 sq.ft. of undivided share right, title and interest in the land comprised with one covered car parking space in the multi-storied building constructed on Schedule A Property, measuring 1100 sq ft of super built area.

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| **Encumbrances on property** | **Indian Bank** |
| **Reserve Price** | **Rs.43,23,000/-** |
| **EMd Amount** | **Rs.4,32,300/-** |
| **Bid incremental amount** | **Rs.10000/-** |
| **Date and time of e-auction** | **22/01/2023, 10 A.M to 4.00 PM** |
| **Property ID No.** | **IDIB50435643730** |

Bidders are advised to visit the website **(www.mstcecommerce.com)** of our e auction service provider MSTC Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call MSTC HELPDESK No. 033-22901004 and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For Registration status with MSTC Ltd, please contact **ibapiop@mstcecommerce.com** and for EMD status please contact **ibapifin@mstcecommerce.com.**

For property details and photograph of the property and auction terms and conditions please visit: **https://ibapi.in** and for clarifications related to this portal, please contact help line number '18001025026' and '011-41106131'.

Bidders are advised to use Property ID Number mentioned above while searching for the property in the website **with https://ibapi.in** and **www.mstcecommerce.com.**

**Date: 04.01.2023** **Sd/- Authorised Officer,**
**Place: Bangalore** **Indian Bank**

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**Thanjavur Main Branch, 61, South Main Street Thanjavur- 613 009. Ph: 04362- 239029, 238612**

**APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]**

**Sale notice for sale of immovable properties**

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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Indian Bank, Thanjavur Main Branch, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **23.01.2023,** for recovery of is Rs. 1,45,69,840.27 (Rupees One Crore forty five lakh sixty nine thousand eight hundred forty and paise twenty seven only) (as on 04/01/2023) due to the **Indian Bank, Thanjavur Main Branch ,Secured Creditor, from (1) M/s Saga Joint Foods (2). Mr. A. Tamilalagan,** S/o Mr. Alagar Ganesan residing at 111/933, R.M.S.Colony, Mullai Steet, N.K.Road, Thanjavur- 613 006 , **(3). Mrs. R. Amudha** W/o Mr. Radhakrishnan residing at Plot No.70, SIPCOT Staff Housing Colony, Opp to Lal, Mokanadapalli, HOSUR- 635126, **(4) Mr. Alagar Ganesan (Guarantor)** S/o Alagar, 111/933, R.M.S.Colony, Mullai Steet, N.K.Road, Thanjavur, **(5) Mr.R.Senthil Kumar (Guarantor & Mortgagor),** S/o Radhakrishnan, Plot No.70, SIPCOT Staff Housing Colony, Opp to Lal, Mokanadapalli, **(6) Mr. S. Radhakrishnan (Guarantor),** S/o Shanmugam, 35/15, Rama puram, Anicut Tk **(7) Mrs. R. Shyamala (Guarantor & Mortgagor),** D/o Mr.S.Radhakrishnan, Plot No.70, SIPCOT Staff Housing Colony, Opp to Lal, Mokanadapalli, HOSUR **The specific details of the property intended to be brought to sale through e-auction mode are enumerated below:**

**Detailed description of the Property: Schedule-A:**All that piece and parcel of residentially converted land comprised in Survey Nos. 30 ( 7 Acres 24.5 Guntas), 31 (6 Acres 25.5 Guntas), 32 (9acres 2 Guntas), 36 (9 Acres 37.25 Guntas), 34 (6Acres 0.5 Guntas) and 161 (2 acres) Kadatanamale Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore in all measuring 41 Acres 9.75 Guntas (17,96,576.50 Sq ft) which includes the land relinquished to an extent of 10 Acres 28.68 Guntas (4,66,843.94 Sq ft) in favour of member secretary, BIAPPA in compliance with the requirements of Sanction plan and an rea of 24,193.40 reserved for location Electrical Sub-Station or yard and the entire property is bounded as follows:

Boundaries:East by Land in Survey No. 160, Doddaballapur Road & Land in Survey No. 162,163,164 & 41,West by Land in Survey No.s.41,29,30/7(p), 31/4(P), 31/3(P), 31/2(P), 31/1(P), 34/2 (P), 34/1(P).North by Land in Survey No. 37,38 and 160,South by Land in Survey No. 41 and 29. **Schedule-B Property (Undivided interest conveyed)**

An undivided 0.0239 % share equivalent to 312.47 Sq Ft in the land measuring 1006611.05 Sq ft being the land apportioned to the residential development forming part of schedule "A" property

**Schedule-C Property (Apartment)**

A Three bedroom apartment bearing No. 108, Property No. 150200202500220783 on the first floor in Block/ Wing "A2" of the residential apartment complex known as "Provident Welwoth City" constructed on the Schedule 'A' property, having a carpet area of 783.62 Sq ft. (which is inclusive of balconies and utility space) Plinth / Built-up area of 878.13 Sq ft (Which is inclusive of balconies and utility spaces and walls of the apartment) and proportionate common area of 196.87 Sq.ft in all having a Super Built-up area of 1075 Sq ft belonging to R. Senthilkumar and Mrs R Shyamala.

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| Encumbrances on property | NIL |
| Reserve Price | **35.00 Lakhs** |
| EMD Amount | **3.50 Lakhs** |
| Bid incremental amount | 0.25 Lakh |
| Date and time of e-auction | On 23.01.2023 From 11.00 am to 03.00 pm |
| Property ID No | IDIB6644638233B |

Bidders are advised to visit the website (www.mstcecommerce.com) of our e auction service provider MSTC Ltd to participate in online bid. For Technical Assistance Please call MSTC HELPDESK No. 033-22901004 and other help line numbers available in service providers help desk. For registration status with MSTC Ltd, please contact ibapiop@mstcecommerce.com and for EMD status please contact ibapifin@mstcecommerce.com.

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**Date : 04/01/2023** **Sd/-Authorised Officer,**
**Place : Thanjavur** **Indian Bank**

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**HDFC**

Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited

Regd. Office: Ramon House, H T Parekh Marg, 169, Backbay Reclamation, Churchgate, Mumbai 400020. Tel: 022-66316000/61766000 CIN L70100MH1977PLC019916 Website: www.hdfc.com

Regional Office : HDFC Ltd, HDFC House, No -51, Kasturba Road, Bangalore -560001. Tel: 080-41183000, CIN L70100MH1977PLC019916, Website: www.hdfc.com, Email: customer.service@hdfc.com

## E- AUCTION SALE NOTICE (Sale through e-bidding only)

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Notice is hereby given to Borrower / Mortgagor(s) / legal heirs, legal representatives (whether known or unknown), executor(s), administrator(s), successor(s) and assign(s) of the respective Borrower(s) / Mortgagor(s)(since deceased), as the case may be, indicated in Column (A) under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **Housing Development Finance Corporation Limited (HDFC Ltd)** Secured Creditor's website i.e. **www.HDFC.Com**

| SI | (A) Name/s of Borrower(s)/ Mortgager(s)/ Guarantor(s)/ | (B) Outstanding dues to be recovered (Secured Debt) (Rs.)* | (C) Description of the Immovable Property / Secured Asset (1 Sq. mtr. is equivalent to 10.76 Sq.ft) | (D) Type of Possession | (E&F) Reserve Price (Rs.) / Earnest Money Deposit (Rs) | (G) Date of Auction and Time |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Borrower & Mortgagor : Svarna Land Development Private Limited Guarantor: Mr. Cherag Ramakrishnan | Rs.13,71,70,251/- (Rupees Thirteen Crores Seventy One Lakhs Seventy Thousand Two Hundred Fifty One only) as on 20.12.2022 | Following Flats/Units in the Project named as "Hamlet" on the piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Municipal No. 7 (Old No. 513), [PID No. 99-40-7] and Site bearing No. 512, now bearing Municipal No. 8 (PID No. 99-40-8) situated at 10th cross road at Rajmahal Vilas Extension in Corporation Ward No. 99, Aramane Nagar, Bangalore, Flat No. 101 & 201, 1st Floor and 2nd Floor. | Physical Possession | Rs.6,00,00,000/- (Rupees Six Crore Only) / Rs. 60,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty Lakhs Only) | 13.02.2023 10 A.M. |

**1. Inspection Date & Time: 02.02.2023 between 10.AM to 4.PM**
**2. Minimum bid increment amount: Rs. 1,00,000/-**
**3. EMD Amount Submission on or before : 11.02.2023 (Before 2.00 PM)**

***together with further interest @ 18% p.a. as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc. incurred up to the date of payment and / or realisation thereof.**

**For any assistance related to inspection of the property, or for obtaining the Bid document and for any other queries, please get in touch with Mr. Vishwanath Hooli (Contact Nos.9844025323) and Mr. Hemant Mokashi (Contact Nos. 9833773131).**

**To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer of HDFC Ltd, there are no encumbrances in respect of the above immovable properties / Secured Assets.**

**Date: 05.01.2023** **For Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd.**
**Place: Bangalore** **Sd/- Authorized Officer under SARFAESI Act, 2002**

## *Medvedev in Adelaide International quarterfinals*

Daniil Medvedev defeated Miomir Kecmanovic 6-0, 6-3 to reach the quarterfinals of the Adelaide International. Top-seeded Novak Djokovic will play Thursday for his place in the quarterfinals and a possible matchup against Medvedev in the semifinals. Medvedev is seeded third and will face fellow Russian Karen Khachanov for his spot in the semifinals.



FIH ODISHA HOCKEY MEN'S WORLD CUP 2023 BHUBANESWAR - ROURKELA

# TEAM TRACKER

JAN 13-29, 2023 | 16 NATIONS, ONE DREAM

WITH THE MEN'S FIELD HOCKEY WORLD CUP BEGINNING IN ROURKELA AND BHUBANESWAR ON JANUARY 13, HERE'S A BRIEF LOOK AT THE TEAMS THAT WILL BE IN ACTION. FIRST UP, ARGENTINA AND FRANCE...

| Argentina | | France |
|---|---|---|
| 88 | MATCHES PLAYED | 18 |
| 33 | WON | 8 |
| 3rd, 2014 | BEST RESULT | last-8, 2018 |

**BACKGROUND**

After that dramatic gold at the Olympics in 2016, they have been on a bit of a tailspin in recent years. They have continued to dominate events in South America but that famous grit of theirs has been missing. In recent times, they have not had the results to suggest they will be a big force to reckon with in Odisha. In the ongoing Pro League season, they have won one out of eight games.

These are fun times for men's hockey in France. With the upcoming Olympics in Paris, some funds have been diverted and the team did show what they were capable of, as an assorted bunch of professionals with full-time jobs in other fields reached the quarterfinals in 2018. But there has been a regression to the mean in recent times. This is an ideal test to get back on the ladder ahead of 2024.

**BIG NEWS**

One of the heroes of the 2016 Olympics, Gonzalo Peillat, shifted allegiance to Germany. The ace drag-flicker had a falling out with the federation so he left. He was capped by Germany earlier this year and has made the Germany team.

**INJECTION OF YOUTH**

The juniors famously beat India twice enroute claiming a bronze at the World Cup in late 2021. Multiple members of that team are present in the touring party to Odisha. That could be the necessary injection of youth this squad seeks.

**STARS TO LOOK FORWARD TO**

The likes of Matias Rey (38), Lucas Vila (36) and Agustin Mazzilli (33) remain key players for the side. They have struggled for results as they are trying to bed in younger players to the side. At the World Cup, five of the 20 players have fewer than 30 caps. Will it pay off?

Timothee Clement was a handful at the junior World Cup and it's no surprise to see he has made the cut. Victor Charlet and he, two gun penalty corner specialists, will invariably be in the queue. Apart from them, keep an eye on Gaspard Baumgarten and Francois Goyet.

> **We have good memories from the previous World Cup, especially the win over Argentina in our final pool match. We will take it one game at a time and first look to progress from our pool and then see how far we can go.**
>
> Goyet, France player

*(Note: Stats and quotes via fih.ch)*

Netherland hockey team arriving at Biju Patnaik International Airport in Bhubaneswar, Odisha on Wednesday | SHAMIM QURESHY

## NETHERLANDS ARRIVE WITH YOUNG TEAM

BHUBANESWAR: Last edition runners-up the Netherlands is the first overseas team to land here on Wednesday for the FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup to be held at Bhubaneswar and Rourkela from January 13 to 29. The former champions are placed in Pool C, along with Chile, Malaysia and New Zealand.

The Netherlands, led by Thierry Brinkman, will complete their final preparations in Bhubaneswar before travelling to Rourkela on January 10, where they will face Malaysia in their first match on January 14.

"This is relatively a young team. Many member of our team is going to make their World Cup debut here. I think we will have to take one game at a time and then we will see where we end up in the tournament. Our first target is to reach the quarterfinals and then advance to the semis. We will then see how things go for the final. Of course, if we reach the final then we will hope to turn it around and win the tournament," said coach Jeroen Delmee.

# STRONG HOODA HURRICANE

Having put behind the lows of the past, the 27-year-old is already making an impact in the Indian team

GOMESH S @ Chennai

WHEN India were 94/4 after 14 overs in the first T20I against Sri Lanka, Deepak Hooda was batting on six from eight balls. The pressure was building on him as well as skipper on Hardik Pandya, having scored just eight runs in the previous two overs — one each from Maheesh Theekshana and Wanindu Hasaranga. It was time for them to accelerate the innings. However, things took a unfavourable turn when Pandya was dismissed on the very first delivery of the 15th over. The onus was now solely on Hooda to shoulder the responsibility and take India to a respectable total.

Now, it is not a role that is new to Hooda. Although he had batted at the top for India in Ireland and even scored a T20I century, it is not where he built his reputation in the lead up to his debut. Since moving to Rajasthan in 2021, Hooda's USP has been smashing bowlers for fun in the middle-order. It was the season that changed things around for him. Hooda finished the 2021-22 Syed Mushtaq Ali as the second-highest run-scorer — 294 runs in 6 innings at a strike rate of 168.

In the 2022 Indian Premier League too, it was the same story. Batting in the middle-order for Lucknow Super Giants, Hooda accumulated 451 runs at 136.67 SR. But those numbers don't tell the impact he had on the top-heavy team. Of the eight times Hooda faced 25 deliveries or more, he finished with a 150+ SR five times. When Hooda stays long enough, he puts the team in a winning position. The Indian team management knows it too. Which is why, despite the doubts cast on his place in the lower-middle order, they backed him to come good.

Deepak Hooda | SPORTZPICS

On Tuesday, the situation was perfectly poised for him to do the same. From six runs off eight balls, Hooda went on to smash an unbeaten 41 from 23 balls, helping India get to 162/5. In the process, he took a particular liking to Hasaranga and Theekshana, smashing 22 from 7 balls off the spin duo after Pandya's dismissal. The hosts scored 61 runs in the last five overs. Hooda had done what was asked of him. "You have to be ready for such situations when you're batting in the lower order, at No. 6. There can be a collapse any time and it was not a collapse today as such, we were in a good position early on. But yes, that's the role of a No. 6 or 7," Hooda said.

Much like his then Rajasthan Royals teammate, Hooda has come a long way since making a mark as a 19-year-old in the 2015 IPL. The "Hooda Hurricane" was expected to sweep across the world back then. Instead, as if stuck in a hurricane himself, Hooda went through a turbulent ride. So much that two years ago he almost left the sport after the hard time he had in the Baroda dressing room. He left the team in the middle of the tournament, struggling to find his way back in the game. It was when he found support in Irfan Pathan and a new home in Rajasthan. From thereon, he hasn't looked back.

After the low in early 2021, Hooda has grown from strength to strength. Now, in a Indian team that is going through a transition phase in the T20 format, Hooda has made an early impact. And by the time 2023 ends, the world will know whether "Hurricane Hooda" has finally arrived at the international stage.

## *POINTS TO PONDER*

India prevailed in a thriller on Tuesday. In Pune, they can wrap the series against Sri Lanka. A look at the second T20I...

**SAMSON RULED OUT**

Sanju Samson has been ruled out of the series due to a knee injury he suffered while fielding in the first match. Jitesh Sharma has been named as his replacement. Meanwhile, Maharashtra batter Rahul Tripathi might make his debut in front of a home crowd.

**FOCUS ON CHAHAL**

The leg-spinner remains India's go-to wrist spinner in white ball cricket but, increasingly, batters are beginning to hit him with a modicum of consistency. If he's not able to rediscover his mojo (he went for 0/26 in two overs), it could be an additional head ache.

**SHANAKA VS INDIAN BOWLERS**

Dasun Shanaka has climbed into the Indian bowlers of late and has had a lot of success. He was up to his old tricks again and almost completed a heist in Mumbai. This will be a mini-contest within the battle.

**PANDYA'S NOUS**

For all intents and purposes, Hardik Pandya looks to be India's next long-term T20I captain. He showed some street smartness in the first match. It will be interesting to see if he continues to open the bowling as his style of bowling can be an effective alternative

**Live on Star Sports Networks, 7.00 PM, Pune**

# Ranji Trophy: Agarwal hits unbeaten ton for Karnataka

AGENCIES @ Bengaluru

SKIPPER Mayank Agarwal led from the front with an unbeaten century to take Karnataka to a commanding position on the second day of their Ranji Trophy Group C match against Chhattisgarh in Bengaluru on Wednesday.

Agarwal made 102 not out off 191 balls with the help of nine boundaries and five sixes to take Karnataka to 202 for one in their first innings in reply to Chhattisgarh's 311 all out in 109.3 overs. With Ravikumar Samarth (81 off 127 balls), Agarwal shared 163 runs for the opening stand to lay the foundation for a big total. After Samarth's dismissal, Vishal Onat (15 not out) was giving Agarwal company at the crease. At stumps, Karnataka trailed Chhattisgarh by 109 runs.

Earlier, resuming at the overnight score of 267 for 5, Chhattisgarh added just 44 runs for their remaining five wickets. Right-arm fast bowler Vidwath Kaverappa (5/67) registered his best first-class figures while Vasuki Koushik (4/43) returned with four wickets.

Meanwhile, in the other Group C match, Ishaan Gadekar's unbeaten 76 put Goa in control after Kerala were dismissed for 265 in their first essay. Earlier in the day, from 247/5, Kerala added only 18 runs to their total with Lakshay A Garg and Arjun Tendulkar running through the lower order.

In Group B, Saurashtra, riding on fine centuries from Arpit Vasavada (127 not out) and Harvik Desai (107), posted a mammoth 503 for six as the hosts took control of the Group B match against a spineless Delhi bowling attack.

Mumbai batter Sarfaraz Khan (R) celebrates his century on Wednesday | PTI

## Sarfaraz torments TN

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @ Chennai

EVEN as his team lost the final, Mumbai batter Sarfaraz Khan was named Player of the Tournament last Ranji season for scoring 982 runs which included four centuries. He did have a slow start this season but picked up pace in the next outing by slamming a ton. Unfortunately for Tamil Nadu, the right-hand batter regained his ominous form against them hitting a fluent 162 off 220 balls to put his team in command on Day 2 of its Elite Group B Ranji Trophy match being played at the Brabourne Stadium, Mumbai on Wednesday.

Given the Sarfaraz's show, Mumbai put 481 on the scoreboard taking a huge 337-run first innings lead. Tamil Nadu were 62/1 in their second essay, still trailing by 275 runs, at stumps. The burly batter with the help of the tail managed to guide his team to an imposing total. He stitched a 167-run partnership with Tanush Kotian (71). **Full story: newindianexpress.com**

**SELECT SCORES**

**Group A:** At Cuttack: Nagaland 1st Innings 433 (Bist 129, Rupero 71; Tarani 3/86) vs Odisha 111/0 (Sarangi 75 batting); **Group B:** At Rajkot: Delhi 133 vs Saurashtra 503/6 in 135 ovs (Desai 107, Chirag 75, Arpit 127 n.o., Samarth 54, Prerak 64); At Vizianagaram: Andhra 135 & 230/3 in 48 ovs (Gnaneshwar 72; Bharat 70 batting; Rakshan Readdi 3/65) vs Hyderabad 197 in 63.1 ovs (Nitish 4/64); At Mumbai: Tamil Nadu 144 & 62/1 in 16 ovs vs Mumbai 481 in 106.4 ovs (Sarfaraz 162, Tanush 71, Mohit 69); **Group C:** At Bengaluru: Karnataka 202/1 in 64 ovs (Mayank 102, Samarth 81) vs Chhattisgarh 311 all out in 109.3 ovs (Ashutosh 135, Amadeep 93; Kaverappa 5/67, Vasuki 4/43); At New Delhi: Puducherry 216 all out in 62.4 ovs (Arun 58; Diwesh 3/39) vs Services 378/5 in 102 ovs (Rahul 137, Rajat 101); At Thumba: Kerala 265 all out in 95.3 ovs (Rohan 112; Lakshay 4/44) vs Goa 200/5 in 79 ovs (Ishaan 76 batting; Sijomon 3/35).

# BAD WEATHER HALTS Oz AT 147/2 ON DAY 1 AGAINST PROTEAS

AGENCIES @ Sydney

MARNUS Labuschagne and Usman Khawaja made half-centuries as luckless South Africa was denied twice by the TV umpire before bad light and then rain brought an early end to the opening day of the third Test at Sydney Cricket Ground. Khawaja and Labuschagne shared a 135-run partnership after Australia won the toss and batted, chasing a sweep of the three-match series and confirm their place in the world test championship final later this year. At stumps Wednesday, Australia was 147/2 with Khawaja unbeaten on 54. Labuschagne was dismissed by Anrich Nortje for 79 with what was the last ball of a truncated day that lost more than three hours to the weather conditions.

The day could have been far brighter for South Africa had the television umpire agreed with its on-field colleagues with two close calls going against the tourists in an eventful middle session. Khawaja survived an lbw appeal from Simon Harmer with the second ball after lunch. The opener was given out by the on-field umpire but Khawaja immediately requested the TV umpire review which showed the ball had hit the batters glove on the way through to hitting the pad to see the decision overturned. Labuschagne was even more fortunate when he edged a low catch to Harmer at first slip off Marco Jansen when on 70. Labuschagne stood his ground while South Africa celebrated the wicket. After several minutes of deliberation the TV umpire found that the ball had not carried cleanly through to Harmer and overturned the on-field call.

Aussie batter Usman Khawaja plays a shot during 3rd Test vs South Africa | AFP

**Brief scores:** Aus 147/2 in 47 overs (Labuschagne 79, Khawaja 54 batting) vs SA.

**Shakeel hits maiden ton**

KARACHI: Pakistan rode on Saud Shakeel's patient first Test century and Safaraz Ahmed's aggressive 78 to trail New Zealand by 42 runs on the third day of the second Test on Wednesday. Left-handed Shakeel batted throughout the day to go unbeaten on 124 off 336 balls in an innings spanned over eight hours before New Zealand spinners hit back late with four wickets and Pakistan finished the day at 407/9.

**Brief scores:** NZ 449 vs Pakistan 407/9 in 132 ovs (Shakeel 124 batting).

# Arsenal held by battling Newcastle

AGENCIES @ London

ARSENAL were held to a goalless stalemate by high-flying Newcastle on Tuesday but still extended their lead to eight points at the top of the Premier League as Manchester United tightened their grip on a top-four place.

Everton imploded at home to Brighton, losing 4-1 just days after drawing at champions Manchester City, while Fulham condemned Leicester to a third straight defeat. Mikel Arteta's men had the better of a fractious encounter at a packed Emirates Stadium but the Spaniard complained his side had been denied two "scandalous penalties" in front of a baying home crowd. Arteta was furious that Arsenal failed in their appeal for a spot-kick in the final seconds of stoppage-time after a cross in the penalty area struck Jacob Murphy's arm. The Gunners boss also complained that Dan Burn was guilty of a shirt pull on Arsenal defender Gabriel in the area earlier in the second half.

Meanwhile, Manchester United hammered Bournemouth 3-0 at Old Trafford to move level on 35 points with third-placed Newcastle. Marcus Rashford was dropped at Wolves on Saturday after oversleeping and missing a meeting but came off the bench to bag the winner, and he returned to the starting line-up on Tuesday as one of four changes alongside Harry Maguire, Victor Lindelof and Donny van de Beek. Casemiro broke the deadlock for United in the 23rd minute. England defender Luke Shaw started and finished the move for United's second goal early in the second half and Rashford added gloss to the scoreline before full-time.

**Results:** Leicester City 0-1 Fulham, Arsenal 0-0, Everton 1-4, Brighton, Man United 3-0 Bournemouth.

Marin Cilic in action at Tata Open

# Cilic cruises into quarters

AGENCIES @ Pune

TOP seed Marin Cilic unleashed his power-packed game to move into the singles quarterfinals of the Tata Open Maharashtra as the World No. 17 beat Roberto Carballes Baena in a three-setter here on Wednesday.

Serving big, moving fluently on the court and executing smart drop shots, the tall Croatian won the second round 6-3, 3-6, 6-1 against the world number 74 from Spain at the Balewadi Stadium. Except for a brief period when he struggled to contain unforced errors in the second set, Cilic kept the match in his grip. Cilic fired 16 aces in the contest that he won in two hours and two minutes.

Second seed Botic Van De Zandschulp though had to battle hard in his match before prevailing over Italian qualifier Flavio Cobolli, placed 171 on the ATP singles chart.

The Dutch player won 7-5, 6-4 to set up a last-eight clash against the German qualifier Maximilian Marterer, who sent packing Serbian, Laslo Djere 7-6 (5), 6-2. Another top player biting the dust was fourth seed and world number 43 Argentine Sebastian Baez, who lost 3-6, 6-1, 6-3 to Pedro Martinez from Spain.

**EXPRESS READ**

**Boxers Shiva, Manish enter semifinals**

HISAR: Shiva Thapa and Manish Kaushik produced power-packed performances to storm into the semifinals of the 6th men's National Boxing Championships on Wednesday. They will take to the ring against each other in the semifinal contest on Thursday.

**Prannoy and Sindhu to lead India's challenge**

NEW DELHI: HS Prannoy and Commonwealth Games gold medallist PV Sindhu will lead a strong Indian contingent in the Badminton Asia Mixed Team Championships, to be played in Dubai from February 14-19.

# MICROSOFT GETS FIRST U.S. LABOUR UNION

## THE COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA SAID 300 WORKERS AT ZENIMAX STUDIOS HAVE VOTED TO JOIN THE UNION

TECH

A group of video game testers has formed Microsoft's first labour union in the US, which will also be the largest in the video game industry.

The Communications Workers of America said on Tuesday that a majority of about 300 quality-assurance workers at Microsoft video game subsidiary ZeniMax Studios have voted to join the union.

Microsoft already told the CWA it would accept the formation of the union at its Maryland-based video game subsidiary, fulfilling a promise it made to try to build public support for its $68.7 billion acquisition of another big game company, Activision Blizzard.

Microsoft bought ZeniMax for $7.5 billion in 2021, giving the Xbox-maker control of ZeniMax's well-known game publishing division Bethesda Softworks and popular game franchises such as *The Elder Scrolls*, *Doom* and *Fallout*.

Senior game tester Wayne Dayberry said in an interview with *The Associated Press* that the unionisation campaign began before Microsoft took over and reflected workplace concerns that are common at video game companies.

"Throughout the industry, the quality assurance departments are treated poorly, paid very little, and treated as replaceable cogs," said Dayberry, who has worked for five years at ZeniMax's Rockville, Maryland headquarters on games such as *Fallout*, *Prey* and *The Evil Within*. "There's not a lot of dignity involved in it," he said. "That's something we're hoping to show people in the industry who are in like situations, that if we can do it, they can do it as well."

The Microsoft logo is pictured outside the headquarters in Paris | AP

The unionisation campaign accelerated thanks to Microsoft's ongoing bid to buy California-based game giant Activision Blizzard.

Microsoft, which is based in Redmond, Washington, made a June pact with the CWA union to stay neutral if Activision Blizzard workers sought to form a union.

The worker-friendly pledge sought to appeal to US regulator concerns under President Joe Biden about the labour implications of massive business mergers, though it didn't stop the Federal Trade Commission from suing last month to block Microsoft's planned Activision Blizzard acquisition. The antitrust case had its first hearing on Tuesday and could drag on for months.

Two small units of Activision Blizzard workers were the first to certify unions last year in Middleton, Wisconsin and Albany, New York. A third, Boston-based Activision Blizzard subsidiary Proletariat, filed a December 27 petition with the National Labour Relations Board to unionise its 57 workers.

Microsoft's green light allowed the ZeniMax union certification to go through a third-party arbitrator rather than the lengthier process typically overseen by the NLRB. A weekslong election period ended on December 31 and was formally certified on Tuesday. Microsoft said in a statement that it recognizes the union "They have definitely stood by their word all along," said CWA spokesperson Beth Allen.

FACT OF THE MATTER

## Telegram service comes to an end

TECH

The era of the telegram came to an end in Germany with a final flourish of thousands of the once-popular message service, the country's main postal service, Deutsche Post, said on Wednesday. Deutsche Post said that 3,228 telegrams were dispatched on the final day of service on New Year's Eve. That's in stark contrast to the monthly average of 200-300 telegrams it had handled in recent years. Deutsche Post said it was one of the last postal services worldwide that still offered telegram service at all and only domestically in recent years. The telegram, a 19th-century invention that has long since widely been considered obsolete, came with a hefty price tag. In recent years, sending a telegram of up to 160 characters in Germany cost at least 12.57 euros.

# Sunak to make maths compulsory till age 18

EDUCATION

LONDON: British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak is looking at plans to ensure all pupils in England study maths in some form until the age of 18, according to a media report on Wednesday. In lines briefed to journalists ahead of his first speech of 2023, the Indian-origin prime minister is expected to say the UK must reimagine its approach to numeracy, the *BBC News* reported.

"In a world where data is everywhere and statistics underpin every job, our children's jobs will require more analytical skills than ever before," he will say.

"And letting our children out into the world without those skills, is letting our children down".

Just half of 16 to 19-year-olds in the UK study maths, according to Sunak—but this figure includes pupils doing science courses and those who are already doing compulsory GCSE resits in college, the report said. It is not clear what the plans will mean for students who wish to study humanities or creative arts qualifications, including BTecs and no new qualifications are immediately planned and there are no plans to make A-levels compulsory.

The government is instead exploring expanding existing qualifications as well as "more innovative options", a Downing Street spokesperson said.

The idea appears to be an aspiration rather than a fully developed policy, with the precise mechanics for how it would work not set out.

The government acknowledges it would not be possible to implement before the next general election, although the prime minister is expected to begin working on the plan in this parliament, the report said. The Association of School and College Leaders, however, said there was a "chronic national shortage of maths teachers" in the UK.

Labour's shadow education secretary Bridget Phillipson called on Sunak to "show his working" on how greater participation in maths will be funded. "He cannot deliver this reheated, empty pledge without more maths teachers, yet government has missed their target for new maths teachers year after year," she said.

THE FIRST ON AN APOLLO MISSION

# APOLLO 7'S LAST SURVIVING ASTRONAUT WALTER CUNNINGHAM PASSES AWAY AT 90

IN MEMORIAM

Walter Cunningham, the last surviving astronaut from the first successful crewed space mission in NASA's Apollo programme, died on Tuesday in Houston. He was 90.

NASA confirmed Cunningham's death in a statement but did not include its cause. His family said through a spokesman, Jeff Carr, that Cunningham died in a hospital "from complications of a fall, after a full and complete life."

Cunningham was one of three astronauts aboard the 1968 Apollo 7 mission, an 11-day spaceflight that beamed live television broadcasts as they orbited Earth, paving the way for the moon landing less than a year later.

Cunningham, then a civilian, crewed the mission with Navy Capt Walter M. Schirra and Donn F. Eisele, an Air Force major. Cunningham was the lunar module pilot on the space flight, which launched from Cape Kennedy Air Force Station, Florida, on October 11 and splashed down in the Atlantic Ocean south of Bermuda.

NASA said Cunningham, Eisele and Schirra' flew a near perfect mission. Their spacecraft performed so well that the agency sent the next crew, Apollo 8, to orbit the moon as a prelude to the Apollo 11 moon landing in July 1969.

Apollo 7 astronaut Walter Cunningham | AP

NASA Administrator Bill Nelson said on Tuesday that Cunningham was "above all" an explorer whose work also laid the foundation for the agency's new Artemis moon programme.

The Apollo 7 astronauts also won a special Emmy award for their daily television reports from orbit, during which they clowned around, held up humorous signs and educated earthlings about space flight.

It was NASA's first crewed space mission since the deaths of the three Apollo 1 astronauts in a launch pad fire on January 27, 1967.

Cunningham recalled Apollo 7 during a 2017 event at the Kennedy Space Center, saying it "enabled us to overcome all the obstacles we had after the Apollo 1 fire and it became the longest, most successful test flight of any flying machine ever."

Cunningham was born in Creston, Iowa, and attended high school in California before enlisting with the Navy in 1951 and serving as a Marine Corps pilot in Korea, according to NASA. He later obtained bachelor's and master's degrees in physics from the University of California at Los Angeles, where he also did doctoral studies, and worked as scientist for the Rand Corporation before joining NASA.

In an interview the year before his death, Cunningham recalled growing up poor and dreaming of flying airplanes, not spacecraft.

"We never even knew that there were astronauts when I was growing up," Cunningham told *The Spokesman-Review*.

After retiring from NASA in 1971, Cunningham worked in engineering, business and investing, and became a public speaker and radio host. He wrote a memoir about his career and time as an astronaut, *"The All-American Boys."* He also expressed skepticism in his later years about human activity contributing to climate change, bucking the scientific consensus in writing and public talks, while acknowledging that he was not a climate scientist.


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| 5 | **SCHEDULE – 5 : (Belonging to Sri.K.C.Prabhakar)**<br>**SCHEDULE – A :** All that piece and parcel of the portion of the property bearing No.74, PID No.51-71-74 measuring East to West 16' 9" feet and North to South 21' 4 ½ feet totally measuring 358 sft with built area of 1432 sft in Ground, First, Second and Third Floor situated at Ward No.154, South End Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore and bounded on East: Private Property, West: Private Property, North: Conservancy and South: Residual portion of property no.74<br>**SCHEDULE – B :** All that piece and parcel of the portion of the property bearing No. 75, PID No.51-71-75 (Old No.75, 9/1), measuring East to West 29' 3" feet and North to South 68 feet totally measuring 1992.40 sft with built area of 3700 sft in Cellar, Ground, First, Second and Third Floor situated at Ward No.154, South End Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore and bounded on East: Ashakiran Apartment, West: Private Property, North: Property 73 and 75/1 and South : Road.<br>**SCHEDULE – C :** (The Schedule A & B property is clubbed and the details of the clubbed property is as under)<br>All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.74 and 75, New No.74 ), Ward No. 154, South End Road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore totally measuring to 2350.40 sft with built area of 5132 sft in Cellar, Ground, First, Second and Third Floor. East by: Asha Kiran Apartments, West by: Private Property, North by: Conservancy & Property 73 and 75/1, South by: South End Road. | 6,75,00,000/- | 67,50,000/- | 6,75,000/- |
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**DAY'S DIARY**

## *Refugee airlift*

On this day in 1985, thousands of Jewish refugees were airlifted from Sudan to Israel using the Belgian Trans European Airways

**EXECUTION OF THE PLAN**

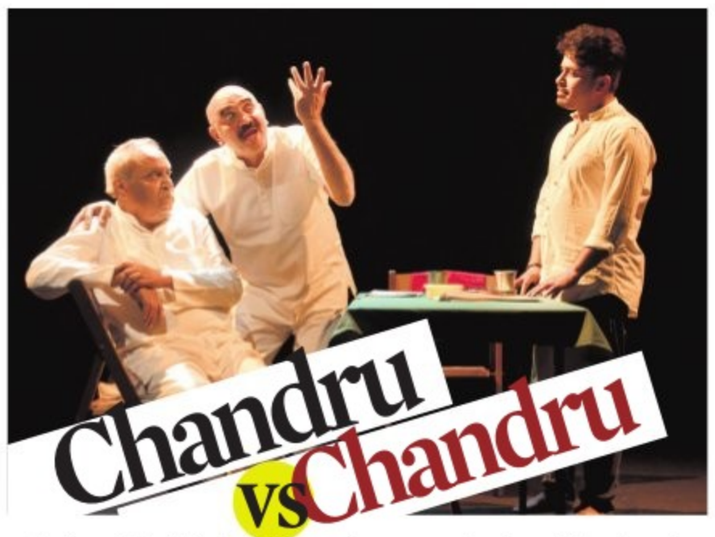
The airlift was planned and executed by Israel's Mossad spy agency, which is infamous for assassinating leading Palestinian figures, particularly in Europe

**REASONS FOR THE PLIGHT**

In 1984, Ethiopia was in the midst of a civil war which killed tens of thousands of people. Northern Ethiopia also suffered a devastating famine

**OPERATION MOSES**

The operation was called Operation Moses. It ended on January 5, 1985 after the Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres held a press conference




Actor Sihi Kahi Chandru speaks to *CE* about the success of his play *Kanta Matthu Kanta*, in which he shares the screen with fellow actor Mukhyamantri Chandru, and how his cooking show overshadows other creative endeavours

DESE GOWDA

DURING the late '80s, people looking to unwind after a long day switched on their TV sets and waited for Doordarshan's Kannada broadcasting to begin. At 7pm sharp, all eyes were glued to *Sihi Kahi* which went onto become the first hit Kannada TV shows.

The sitcom's success was such that protagonist Chandrashekar A has since been known as **Sihi Kahi Chandru**. An actor with over 450 films in his kitty, director of over 10,000 episodes of TV shows, Chandru has become a household name for his cooking shows. But the 61-year-old's love for acting has remained strong.

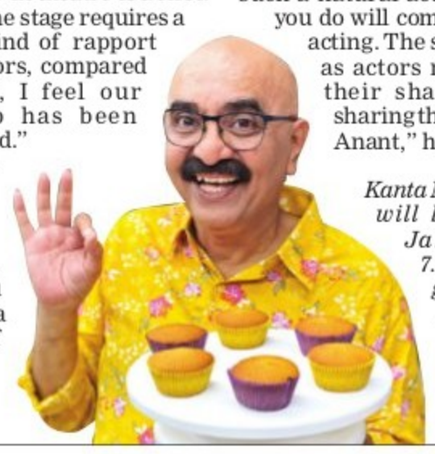
This week, Chandru is returning to the stage, as Ranga Shankara prepares to host the popular play *Kanta Matthu Kanta*, which explores the reconciliation effort of two veteran actors and friends, who have separated over a difference of opinion. Written by Surendranath S, the play sees Chandru sharing the screen with his long-time friend and colleague Mukhyamantri Chandru, veteran Kannada actor and the star of the acclaimed play *Mukhyamantri*.

Despite the intriguing premise, Sihi Kahi Chandra dismisses any connection between his real-life relationship with Mukhyamantri Chandru and the premise of the play. "*Kanta Matthu Kanta* has nothing to do with Chandru and Chandru. It is just about two actors, and their egos," he shares. "Mukyamanthri Chandru and I have been close friends for four decades, and have had some great times working together. But together in theatre is a first. And since the stage requires a different kind of rapport with co-actors, compared to cinema, I feel our friendship has been strengthened."

In a 40-year-long career in the film industry, Chandru has done a plethora of roles. Yet, he feels cinema hasn't been able to give him the kind of creative satisfaction that theatre does. "While the number of films I have acted in is huge, the number of roles I liked is very few. Cinema has been my living and TV has given me fame, name and money. Theatre alone gives me creative satisfaction. Whatever play I've done has always been a challenge, pushing me to new boundaries," he shares, adding that his roles in the play *Nadu Rathriya Pulaka*, and *Nee Neenadre Na Neenena?* are some of his favourites.

A prominent figure in the TV landscape, Chandru experienced success after foraying into food shows. But when the success started to overshadow his other endeavour, Chandru struggled with an identity crisis. "When I started my first cooking show, it became so popular that people forgot that I'm an actor. I was also overweight at that time, and I felt that it would only feed the stereotype of a fat cook or a foodie. So, I stopped the show, worked on myself and cut down 32 kg. But whatever I did, people didn't forget the show, and would always talk of my cooking," he says, adding that while he desired to be recognised for his acting skills, he eventually reconciled with the fact that people loved him for his cooking. "I decided I should continue doing what the people love about me. At the end of the day, it's the affection and love that people give me that matters," he adds.

Having shared the screen with giants of the Kannada industry, Chandru says acting with Anant Nag was one of the toughest experiences of his career. "He is such a natural actor, whatever you do will come off as overacting. The skills we have as actors need to be at their sharpest while sharing the screen with Anant," he concludes.



*Kanta Matthu Kanta will be staged on Jan 5 &6 at 7.30pm, at Ranga Shankara, JP Nagar. Details on bookmyshow.com*

# SPORTY AND SPUNKY

Celebrated designers Shantanu and Nikhil Mehra recently launched their sporty line, a collection inspired by cricket uniforms. Speaking to *CE*, the duo say the line celebrates the evergreen love for cricket

MONIKA MONALISA

SPORTS meets fashion in popular designer duo Shantanu and Nikhil Mehra's 'Shantanu Nikhil Cricket Club (SNCC)' collection. The clothing line, which comes from the designer-siblings' passion for sports, screams spunk and style. Since its launch, it has caught the attention of the who's who of Bengaluru.

Shantanu Mehra says SNCC pays tribute to their love of sports. "The building foundation of our childhood revolved around playing various sports ranging from tennis, cricket, golf and swimming, and we excelled in most of them. Sports as a medium has had an incredible impact on how we have carved our designing career, and it has been one of the stronger virtues of our working philosophy. The smallest of our ideas have been incubated around the concept of using stretch fabrics and daring drape techniques that have defined agility in movement for us," says Shantanu.

**STYLE STATEMENT**

When Shantanu and Nikhil reached out to me with the concept of SNCC, it was a no-brainer for me. I felt an instant connection with the collection and resonated with the style. Also, given the fact that it's all about cricket and its legacy, I was beyond thrilled to be a part of it.

**Shubman Gill**, cricketer

A key inspiration of the brand's idea goes to the style of legendary Mansoor Ali Khan, the 'Nawab of Pataudi'. The line taps on the old-school charm, which the Nawab carried with grace in the flannels he sported or in his maintenance of the legacy of the Lord's Cricket Stadium. It also showcases late '90s fashion that was all about relaxed fits and street-casuals with a dash of glamour. "The idea is to carry forward the bridge to luxury design, while offering regal looks to those who want to up their connection with sports as well as their fashion game, a notch higher," says Nikhil, adding that he is glad that they have been part of the journey of turning Bengaluru into a premiere fashion centre in India.

The new line has introduced the batsman logo with a fresh perspective – vintage style with a touch of modernity. From essential sartorial pieces like retro-doused varsity jackets, crested sweatshirts, sweater vests, classic and cropped polos to classic pick me ups – neckerchiefs, sneakers, bucket hats, belts – the idea is to represent a vision of youthful swagger with a touch of class. "We've forayed into a whole new design aesthetic involving new crest details, which have been specifically designed for the collection. The crest has nuances of cricket like the batsman insignia that empowers the customer to wear their love for the sport with pride," explains Shantanu.

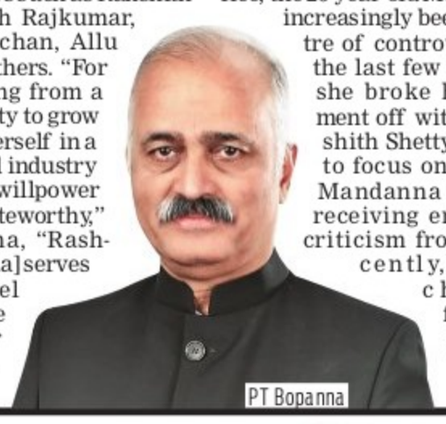
Going by the 'vibe' of the brand, they chose cricketer Shubham Gill as the face. "Millennials and Gen Z are all about comfort and styling, which is also the reason why street style has been a major trend in the past seasons. The new and rising cricket stars like Shubman Gill himself, actively participate in making fashion a conscious lifestyle choice. We have always rooted for anti-trendsetters who carve their way out in this ever-so-competitive world," concludes Nikhil.

Actor Rashmika Mandanna was recently named 'Coorg Person of The Year 2022' by a news portal whose founder shares the idea behind the initiative, Mandanna's meteoric rise and her ability to establish herself amid constant barrage of negativity

DESE GOWDA

ACTOR Rashmika Mandanna has been named as the 'Coorg Person of the Year 2022' by coorgtourisminfo, a news portal based out of Kodagu district. Originally started in 2005 by author PT Bopanna, the initiative aims to promote 'role models and reignite the community's famed leadership qualities' through an annual poll. "When you think of role models, you usually think of the elderly who have made a lifetime's worth of contribution. But in recent years, things have changed. There's a lot of enthusiasm and energy among the younger generation who have made significant contributions," Bopanna explains.

Mandanna, a native of Kodagu's Virajapete, made her film debut with *Kirik Party* (2016) and has since gone on to establish herself across Kannada, Telugu and Hindi film industries, sharing screen space with actors such as Rakshith Shetty, Puneeth Rajkumar, Amitabh Bachchan, Allu Arjun among others. "For a person coming from a small community to grow and establish herself in a male dominated industry through sheer willpower and talent is noteworthy," shares Bopanna, "Rashmika [Mandanna] serves as a role model not only for the Kodavas, but for all women aspiring to tread a similar path. Whatever she has achieved, she has done it on her own without the backing of an influential supporter."



PT Bopanna

Despite her success at the box office, the 26-year-old Mandanna has increasingly been at the centre of controversies over the last few years. After she broke her engagement off with actor Rakshith Shetty in late 2018 to focus on her career, Mandanna was at the receiving end of much criticism from fans. Recently, she was chastised for not having watched the popular Kannada movie *Kantara* (2018).

Bopanna feels that people tend to judge Mandanna for her personal choices rather than for her artistic ability. "There have been efforts to bring her down by deliberately portraying her in a negative light and quoting her without context. But despite the negativity, she has remained strong, which requires exceptional mental fortitude and integrity. People shouldn't be judging her based on the movies she has watched and ones she hasn't. Her personal issues, or the fact that she might struggle to speak Kannada, shouldn't be a cause to demonise her," he says, adding that Mandanna doesn't need to address critics, given that her box office records already speak for herself.

## KNOW YOUR CITY

**Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.**

**THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY**

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Know Your City Quiz'**

Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE* on Thursday.

**THE RIGHT ANSWERS ARE**

1) Kempambudhi Kere
2) Banyan Tree 3) Infosys Foundation

**FIRST THREE TO GET IT RIGHT**

1) Indrani Medhi
2) K Sachidananda Aithal
3) S Nagaraj

## CITY READ

### CMRU students organise traffic violation awareness programme

Recently, 14 students from the School of Social Sciences and Humanities at CMR University raised awareness about the recent increase in traffic accidents. The event was organised in collaboration with the Banaswadi Traffic Police Station, where an inspector at the station, offered her assistance. To shed light on several increased accidents, 477 fatal and 1,468 non-fatal accidents resulted in 68 fatalities and 2,024 minor injuries in Bengaluru. The students organised a street play at CMR Circle in Banaswadi to draw the public's attention to these avoidable occurrences. The primary goal was to help the general public and students understand traffic laws better. The sub-inspector , commented on the consequences of not following the safety guidelines and expressed his support for the student's efforts to raise awareness. The events were also attended by head constable JJ Kumar Naik and seven other uniformed officers.

### Bengaluru emerges top city in placing meat orders

FreshToHome, an online e-commerce brand in fish and meat, has released some interesting statistics about its customer preferences in the platform. For instance, the app received over 68 orders per minute and enabled more than 3.6 crore deliveries this year across all product categories. Bengaluru emerged as the top Tier I city to order the highest quantity of meat, fish and seafood products among all its peer cities. Among Tier-II cities, Jaipur in the North and Vijayawada in the South emerged as the top cities that ordered the most on the marketplace compared to other Tier-II cities.

CHECK OUT THE EVENTS IN THE CITY
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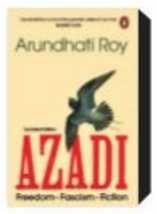
# BOOK NOOK




## Azadi – Updated Edition: Freedom. Fascism. Fiction

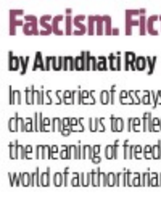
**by Arundhati Roy**

In this series of essays, Roy challenges us to reflect on the meaning of freedom in a world of authoritarianism.

## Dr. Cuterus: Everything Nobody Tells You About Your Body

**by Tanaya Narendra**

This is where this book comes in-a one-stop scientific, funny, and easy to understand guide to everything you've always wondered about what's 'down there'. Or even up there!




## Trinoyoni: The Slaughterer of Sonagachi

**by Moitrayee Bhaduri**

This is the story of Trinoyoni Debi: a sensuous seductress with a silver tongue and a love for all things shiny. But behind those eager eyes lurks a savagery that has made Trinoyoni the stuff of legends. How many more will she kill before she is satiated?

## 3 Tips: The Essentials for Peace, Joy and Success

**by Meera Gandhi**

Meera Gandhi has truncated her life's learnings into three easy-to-follow, utterly practical tips that anyone can incorporate in their lives. A motivating account of the life of a cultural powerhouse.

# WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

## View from Above

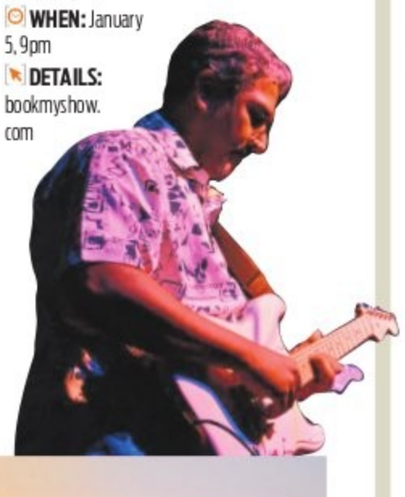
Fly high in the sky with scenic valley views of Nandi Hills during this adventurous paragliding activity. With 4,000 feet above ground level, enjoy a 360-degree view with the right assistance.

**WHERE:** Nandi Hills, Karahalli Cross
**WHEN:** January 5, 7am-5pm
**DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

## Retro Live

Catch the retro band The Butterfingers take the stage. The progressive rock band from Bengaluru enjoys utilising their skills in songwriting and composing in a variety of ways.

**WHERE:** Hard Rock Cafe, Ashok Nagar
**WHEN:** January 5, 9pm
**DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com



## Centre for Humanity

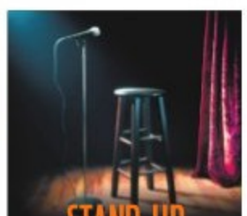
Tap into your body's instincts with primal ground-based movements with Let's Talk Travel, an hour-long session and learn some powerful primal movements, followed by Qigong flow, static stretching, and silent meditation.

**WHERE:** Lahe Lahe, Indiranagar
**WHEN:** January 5, 8-9am
**DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

## Tell a Tale

How about sitting in a circle and listening to stories as the sun goes down? Stories at Sunsets is a late evening storytelling performance for adults by Vikram Sridhar exploring tales from folklore, mythology, heritage and travel narratives from across the country.

**WHERE:** Lahe Lahe, Kodihalli
**WHEN:** January 6, 8pm
**DETAILS:** allevents.in



## STAND-UP COMEDY

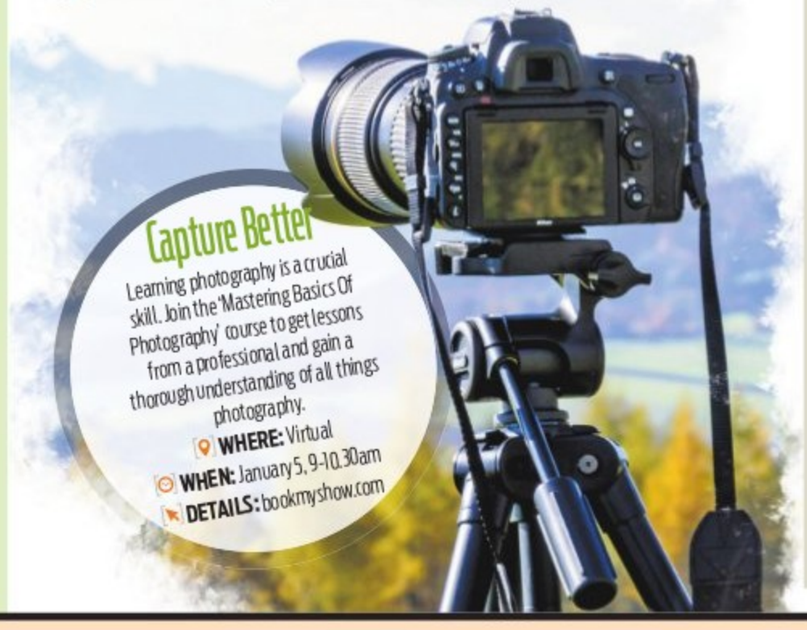
Laugh together with family and friends. Through these open mics, you can see comedians develop their content and work on their humour.

**WHERE:** Drunling Sizzlers & Pub, Koramangala
**WHEN:** January 5, 8.30pm
**DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

## Hydroponics

Join Mission Haldrak and get started with learning how to grow soilless turmeric in the right manner. It's a four-day training programme that includes two days of theory and two days of practical training.

**WHERE:** CV Hydro, Chikkasandra
**WHEN:** January 5, 11am
**DETAILS:** allevents.in



## Capture Better

Learning photography is a crucial skill. Join the 'Mastering Basics Of Photography' course to get lessons from a professional and gain a thorough understanding of all things photography.

**WHERE:** Virtual
**WHEN:** January 5, 9-10.30am
**DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

INDIGENOUS HARMONIES

Artistes hailing from nomadic and semi-nodamic tribes gearing up to perform at the event Kalotsava in the city recently | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

# QUICK FIX

## GAMBAS AL AJILLO

Contributed by **Alex Matthew**, Gurugram

**INGREDIENTS**

- **Prawns:** 200 g
- **Minced garlic:** 100 g
- **Salt to taste**
- **Chilli flakes:** 2 tbsp
- **Smoked paprika:** 2 tsp
- **Olive oil:** 5 tbsp
- **Lime juice:** 2 tsp

**METHOD**

- Marinate the prawns in lime juice and set aside.
- Add the olive oil to a saucepan and lightly fry the garlic till it turns brown.
- Add the chilli and fry for a bit.
- Then add the prawns and smoked paprika.
- Cook for 3-4 minutes till the prawns change colour and remove from the flame. Check for salt and add more if needed.
- Serve with thick crusted bread.

## What's cooking in your kitchen?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com

# FIT BIT

## EKA PADA RAJAKAPOTASANA III PREP I

(ONE LEGGED KING PIGEON POSE III PREP I)

**Though it is a challenging preparatory pose, this can be practised as part of a sequence for balance and energy. Considering the deep stretch, this has on the psoas and quadriceps. It is an excellent pose for runners, cyclists, trekkers or athletes.**

**STEPS**

- Start in Adho Mukha Svanasana, feet and palms grounded. Inhale, lift the left leg.
- Exhale, bring the left knee forward and place it in front of you with thigh and knee on the floor.
- Exhale, bring the hip to closer to the floor. The back leg is straight with toes pointing back, arms close to the hip on the floor and the lower back slightly arched backwards.
- Breathing gradually square the hip towards your front and push the pelvic more towards the floor.
- Move the chest and neck backwards. Slowly keep bending backwards, pushing hip downwards.
- Inhale, twist towards the right leg. Bend the right leg and grab the foot with the left hand.
- Gently come to centre and keep pulling the leg.
- Place the left hand in Jnana Mudra on the left knee. Stay centered here for about six breaths.
- Inhale, release the arms and place them in front.
- Exhale, come back to Adho Mukha Svanasana.
- Take a few deep breaths, counter the stretch on the other side.
- Finally, release and relax in Balasana.

**BENEFITS**

- Stretches quadriceps, psoas, gluteus, and hamstrings.
- Spine muscles, mainly the lower and middle back lengthen gain better flexibility.
- Flexes knees, ankles, and wrists.
- Opens the heart to welcome the life-giving energy, prana.
- Enhances blood circulation to the heart and lungs.
- Can help address respiratory and circulatory disorders.
- Tones the body, especially the hips, thighs, and abdomen.
- Reduces tension and stress in the involved muscles and joints.
- Stimulates the organs like kidney, liver, stomach, bladder, etc.
- Activates the Root Chakra, Sacral Chakra, Manipura Chakra, and Heart Chakra.
- Great for those with depression, anxiety, stress.

**LIMITATIONS**

People with any kind of injury at the hips, knees, ankles, lower back, hamstrings, shoulders, or neck, have undergone abdominal or hip replacement, ankle or knee weak digestion, diarrhoea, arthritis, severe osteoporosis, or acute pain in the legs and pregnant women should avoid this pose.

**By N Elumalai, PhDscholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai**

# NOW STREAMING

## REGIONAL

**YASHODA** (Telugu)

An innocent woman, Yashoda, agrees to be a surrogate mother due to her circumstances. She then finds herself trapped in a world of uncertainties. Amidst a myriad of politicians, doctors, and powerful people, how does she battle her way out?

**Cast:** Samantha Ruth Prabhu, Varalaxmi Sarathkumar, Unni Mukundan

**Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

**19(1)(A)** (Malayalam)

The mundane life of a woman running a photocopy shop goes into a tailspin when a revolutionary writer leaves the manuscript of his unpublished novel with her.

**Cast:** Nithya Menen, Vijay Sethupathi

**Watch oOn:** Disney+ Hotstar

**BABA BABY O** (Bengali)

In his 40s, Megh becomes a single father with two children through surrogacy. Things take an interesting turn when he falls in love with Brishti.

**Cast:** Jisshu Sengupta, Solanki Roy

**Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

**BLOODY MARY** (Telugu)

Three best friends Mary, Raju and Basha come close to making their dreams come true. In an unexpected turn of events, the three of them have evidence of a murder and make enemies with some vicious people. Will Mary be able to escape her enemies while keeping her best friends safe? Will she be able to make her dreams come true?

**Cast:** Nivetha Pethuraj, Kireeti

**Watch on:** Aha

*All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.*

**VALLIDARI MADHYA** (Telugu)

Valliddari Madhya is a love story between a conservative man and a modern woman. Upon meeting an invisible guest from an unexpected place, the story takes you on a fun-filled emotional roller coaster ride.

**Cast:** Viraj Ashwin, Neha Krishna

**Watch on:** Aha

**BUTTERFLY** (Telugu)

While trying to rescue her sister's kids from kidnappers, Geetha excavates shocking secrets about her dubious neighbours. What are they hiding?

**Cast:** Anupama Parameshwaran

**Watch on :** Disney+ Hotstar

**KOOMAN** (Malayalam)

The story takes place in a hilly village on the Kerala-Tamil Nadu border. The story is about a strict police officer who relocates there and the subsequent events that turn his and many others' lives upside down as sociated with that police station. The film gears up to a gripping thriller as the secrets slowly start unfolding.

**Cast:** Asif Ali, Hannah Reji Koshy, Renji Panicker

**Watch on :** Amazon Prime Video

## FOREIGN

**THE BIG 4** (Indonesian)

Four retired assassins spring back into action when they cross paths with a straight-arrow cop who's determined to track down an elusive murderer.

**Cast:** Abimana Aryasatya, Putri Marino, Arie Kriting

**Watch on:** Netflix

**THE CALL** (Korean)

Connected by phone in the same home but 20 years apart, a serial killer puts another woman's past — and life — on the line to change her own fate.

**Cast:** Park Shin-hye, Jun Jong-seo, Kim Sung-ryoung

**Watch on:** Netflix

**ATHENA** (French)

The tragic killing of a young boy ignites an all-out war in the community of Athena, with the victim's older brothers at the heart of the conflict.

**Cast:** Dali Benssalah, Sami Slimane, Anthony Bajon

**Watch on:** Netflix

**AGAINST THE ICE** (Danish)

Exploring Greenland's vast landscape for a lost map, two men must fight to survive. Based on the true story of Denmark's 1909 polar expedition.

**Cast:** Nikolaj Coster-Waldau, Joe Cole, Heida Reed

**Watch on:** Netflix

**SUBSCRIPTION**

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| Zee5: | ₹399 for 3 months |
| Prime Video: | ₹179 per month |
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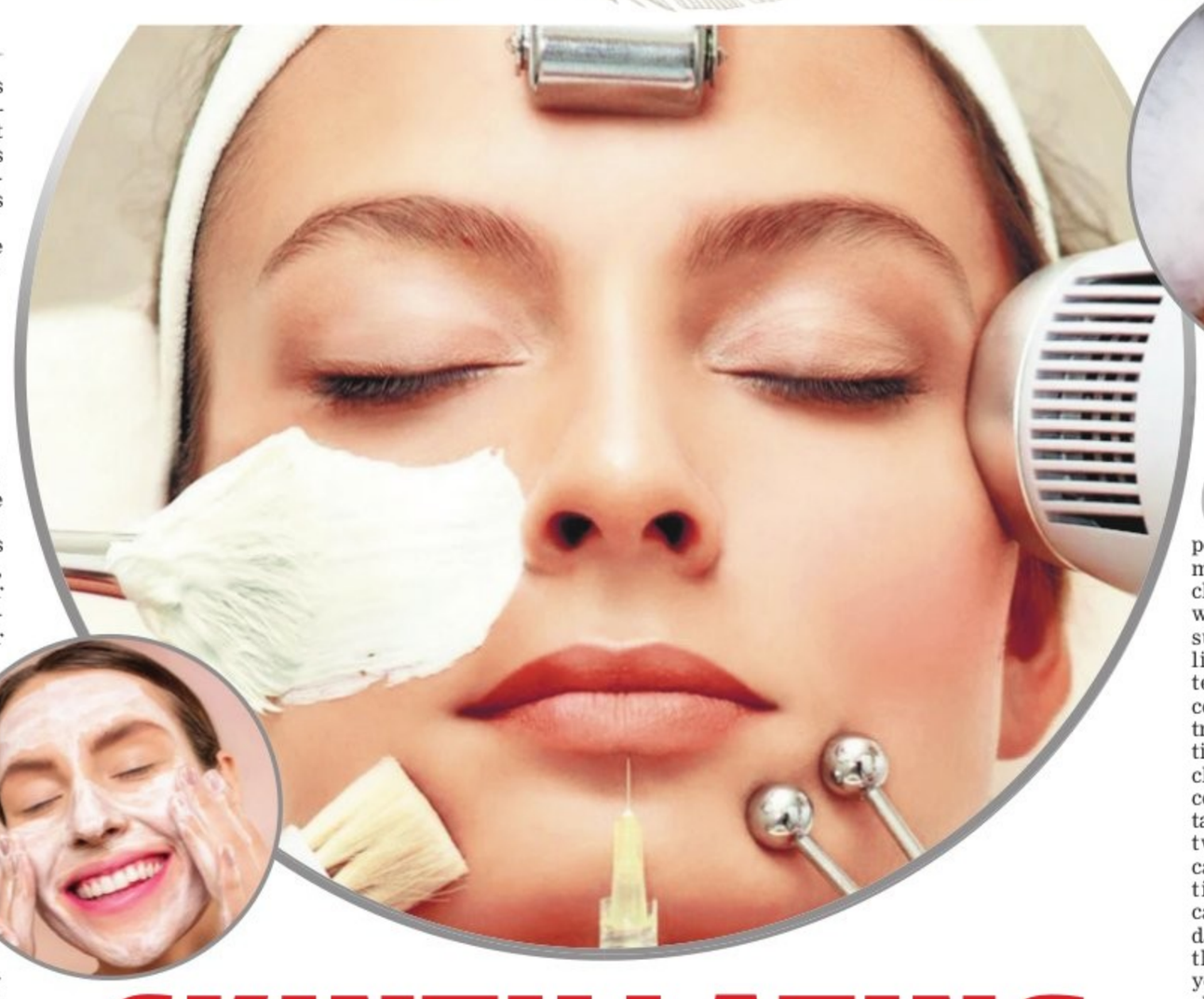


# SKINTILLATING ESSENTIALS FOR THE 30S

The 30s are when your skin starts to change and you will have to take extra care. Here are a few points to maintain the radiance and slow down ageing

WE keep saying that age is just a number. Unfortunately, our skin might not agree with this adage. As we age, our skin starts losing its elasticity and tends to look different.

It is common for people entering their 30s to feel the skin change. The 30s are when we begin to see signs of environmental and genetic aging: fine lines, uneven pigmentation, and possibly some volume loss, caused by the gradual loss of supportive tissue (fat and bone) in the face. Our collagen and elastin stock also starts disintegrating gradually, which means less sheen and suppleness, and we become more prone to dark spots and sun damage.

But being in your 30s also means gaining maturity, having more fun, and having to take better care of your health and skin. Hence, it is important to follow a skincare regime for improving skin health and also to stop premature signs of aging by nourishing it with the right nutrition inside and out.

Here is an easy guide to follow that can help you maintain effective skin health.

### Maintain the CTM routine

1 Cleansing, Toning and Moisturising (CTM) is a basic and minimal skincare routine that one can follow to maintain optimum skin health. Our skin acts as a defensive barrier against germs, dirt, pollution, and deserves attention, love and care similar to other body parts. A gentle yet effective CTM routine with the right products cleanses the skin, delays skin ageing and gives a hydration boost and glow to the skin. Look for AHAs (such as glycolic and lactic acids) and antioxidants such as vitamin C and resveratrol in creams and serums.

### Wear sunscreen daily

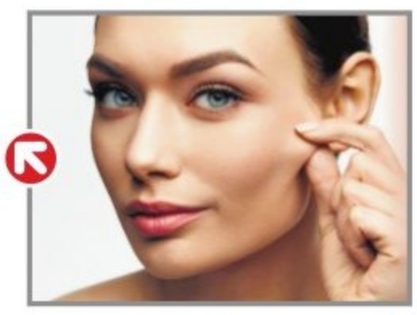
2 Wearing sunscreen is one of the best and easiest ways to protect your skin's appearance and health at any age. Used regularly, sunscreen helps prevent sunburn, skin cancer and premature aging. For day-to-day use, pick a sunscreen with an SPF of at least 30. If you spend time outdoors, choose a product with SPF 50 or greater.

### Invest in an under-eye cream

3 The skin around your eyes is thin, delicate, and different from the rest of the skin on your face. Thus, it needs extra care. An under-eye gel serum can reduce dark circles, puffy eyes, eye bags and wrinkles, and aid in firming, smoothening and brightening the skin around your eyes.

### Collagen for anti-ageing benefits

4 Bio-remodelling is one of the most practical ways to offer the right dose of hyaluronic acid to your face. There are many bio-remodelling treatments available which are composed of concentrated hyaluronic acid (HA). Hyaluronic acid stimulates skin cell receptors to improve skin quality by restoring hydration and promoting radiance. The best part about bio-remodelling is that it helps to enhance the formation of both collagen and elastin, both of which make up the structural support of the skin. Bio-remodelling treatments such as Profhilo improves ageing, sagging and firmness by smoothing and tightening the skin. Besides the face, it can also be injected into neck, hands and other areas with high skin laxity. Bio-remodelling treatments such as Profhilo stimulate your skins own collagen, elastin and hyaluronic acid production leading to a firmer, tighter and more hydrated appearance of your skin, thereby slowing down the ageing process.



### Follow a nutritious diet

5 You are what you eat. Treat your skin well and optimise your nutrition by eating a varied and balanced diet including antioxidant-rich fruit and vegetables, healthy fats from oily fish and nuts, and adequate hydration (drink plenty of water). Some good sources include salmon, walnut, almond, avocado, sweet potato, orange, broccoli, dark leafy greens, bell pepper, tomato, and sunflower seeds among others. You can also opt for nutraceuticals containing collagen peptides, vitamins, minerals, and antioxidants that will help in increasing epidermal moisture content and improving skin hydration. Also, coenzyme Q10 (CoQ10) supplementation can decrease some dermal signs of ageing, such as wrinkles, and improve overall skin smoothness.

### Protection against pollution & blue light

6 When your skin comes in contact with pollution, you may experience clogged pores, dehydration, redness, acne and many other issues. It is important to cleanse properly, nourish your skin with creams containing ingredients such as retinol and vitamin C. Much like sunlight — UV rays — there is a term called 'blue light pollution', coined for our excessive use of electronic devices. While blue light pollution can have an impact on sleep cycles, it can also wreak havoc on your complexion. Blue light contains a certain type of wavelength (typically between 380 to 400 nanometers) that causes a change in colour pigmentation, inflammation and can even cause premature aging. For day-to-day screen use, look to screen shields that block blue light from reaching you in the first place. Besides, the skin needs antioxidants to protect itself from blue light damage. Look for carotenoids like lutein and xanthophyll in products; which will protect against the negative effects of blue light pollution. Wear a sunscreen that contains zinc oxide.

### Get physical activity

7 Did you know exercise not only improves your physical and mental health but also affects your skin? Physical activity causes your blood vessels to dilate in order to pump more blood around the body. This increase in blood flow provides your muscles with the oxygen and nutrients they need, as well as removing waste products. The improved circulation also increases skin blood flow which helps nourish skin cells, remove free radicals and give you that post-workout glow.

**The author is MD, DVD, DNB Dermatology & Aesthetics Director, Skin Secrets Consultant, Breach Candy & Jaslok Hopsitals**

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### WELL-HYDRATED ADULTS APPEAR TO LIVE LONGER: STUDY

Adults who stay well-hydrated appear to be healthier, develop fewer chronic conditions, such as heart and lung disease, and live longer than those who may not get sufficient fluids, a new study has shown. According to the US-based National Institutes of Health study published in *eBioMedicine*, researchers gathered data from 11,255 adults over a 30-year period and analysed links between "serum sodium levels" – which go up when fluid intake goes down – and various indicators of health. The researchers found that adults with higher levels of 'serum sodium levels' were more likely to develop chronic conditions and show signs of advanced biological ageing than those with serum sodium levels in the medium range. "The results suggest that proper hydration may slow down ageing and prolong a disease-free life," said Natalia Dmitrieva, PhD, a study author and researcher at the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI). **–IANS**

### SMART RING FOR WOMEN TO TELL HEART RATE, OXYGEN LEVEL

Healthcare solutions company Movano Health has revealed its smart ring, Evie, which is designed specifically for women, providing them with their health data such as heart rate and oxygen level. "(The) company plans to file for Food and Drug Administration (FDA) clearance of a new wearable that provides women with medical grade data and personalised actionable insights to track and manage overall health," Movano Health said in a statement. Evie is expected to combine health and wellness metrics to give a full picture of one's health including resting heart rate, heart rate variability, SpO2, respiration rate and skin temperature variability. Moreover, it is also likely to provide period and ovulation tracking, menstrual symptom tracking, activity profile, and much more. This data will be delivered through a mobile application which aims to simplify how data is presented, by avoiding complex graphs and charts. **–IANS**

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**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, G. SUBHA SPOUSE OF SUB RAMAMOORTHY R, RESIDENT OF VILL- KANGARSEVAL, TEH VEMBAKOTTAI (TN) HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM **G SUBHA** to **SUBHA G** VIDE AFFIDAVIT DATED 03.01.2023, BANGALORE CITY CIVIL COURT, BANGALORE

**PUBLIC NOTICE**
It is for general information that **DIYA CHUGANI,** alias **DIYA** alias **DIYA MANOJ CHUGANI** D/o Poonam Manoj Chugani & Manoj Lachman Chhugani, R/at Villa 66/2, Adarsh Palm Meadows, Ramagondanahalli, Whitefield, Bangalore, Karnataka-560066. declare that my mother **POONAM MANOJ CHUGANI** got divorce from my father **MANOJ LACHMAN CHHUGANI** Vide Court **Decree P.A.No.29/2007 dated 24-11-2008.** Henceforth I have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as **"DIYA KHURANA"** It is certified that I have complied with other legal requirement in this connection. vide affidavit dated **30-12-2022** sworn before **R.S.VIJAY**, Notary Public, Govt Of India at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **Aleykutty Kurian** D/o Ouseph Kurian @ Elizabeth Kurian aged about 63 years, residing at No. 28/7, Nirmala rani High School, 18th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalore 560003, I declare that below mentioned names **Aleykutty Kurian** and **Elizabeth Kurian** are refers to me only and one and the same person's names only., vide affidavit dated 30/12/2022 sworn to before R.S.Vijay advocate and notary Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **S. SUHAS DESAI** aged bout 26 years, S/o K.Suresh, Residing at Gayathri Nilaya, No.315, 5th Main, 4th Cross, 8th Block, Banashankari 6th Stage, Bengaluru-560060, have changed my name from **SUHAS S** to **S.SUHAS DESAI.**, Hence forth for all practical purposes from now onwards, my name will be called as **S.Suhas Desai.** vide affidavit dated 27/12/2022 sworn to before R.S.Vijay advocate and notary Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **AAGASTINA AAROGYANATHAN,** S/o Anthonyswami .C, age 32 years, R/at No. 128, Near Cristu Tha King Church, Byrathi, Bangalore North, Bangalore-77, Karnataka, India do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **AUGUSTIENAROGYANADAN** to **AAGASTINA AAROGYANATHAN,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **AAGASTINA AAROGYANATHAN** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 4th January 2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA** at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **Jayaram.G.**, S/o.Gangadharaiah, aged about 50 years, residing at No.21/1, 20th Cross, 6th Main, K.P. Agrahara, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Bangalore -560 023, have changed my daughter's name from **MANGALA GOWRI.J** to **NITHYA SHREE. J.**, vide affidavit dated 4/1/2023 sworn to before B. Prasanna advocate and notary Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **Divyashree S** W/o Mahesh Kumar K residing at Adrija, No. 97, 3rd Main, BSV Park, Petroleum Pipeline Road, Behind Vidyanikethana School, Bileshivale Bengaluru -560077, have changed my name from **Divyashree Mahesh Kumar** to **Divyashree S.**, vide affidavit dated 4/1/2023 sworn to before Renuka.C advocate and notary Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, Mrs. VINOBAI PURUSHOTHAMAN, aged about 66 years, W/o Mr. Purushothaman. N, presently residing at No. C-5113, Mykonos Sobha City, Thanisandra Main Road, Hegde Nagar, Bangalore-560077, I have declared that the names **VINOBAI PURUSHOTHAMAN** and **S. VINOBAI** belongs to me only, and both name belongs to one and the same person. vide affidavit dated 03.01.2023 sworn to before Advocate and Notary Y.R. Chandrasekar Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **Smt. ASHIKA K**, W/o Shreyans Jain, Aged about 26 years, R/at Flat N23, Nalanda Block, 1st Floor, Palace Garden Apartments, 23/24, Palace Cross Road, Bengaluru-560020, have changed my name from **ASHIKA K** to **ASHIKA JAIN.**, vide affidavit dated 2/1/2023 sworn to before Vatsala advocate and notary Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **KAWSALYA AVINASH** W/o Avinash C and D/o Sri Munivenkataiah, aged about 30 years, R/at No. 51, 1st Cross, 7th Main, M.V. Garden (Near Karumariyamman Temple), Halasuru, Bengaluru-560008, have changed my name to **KAWSALYA M,** vide affidavit dated 03-01-2023 before Notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA** at Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **MINAL THORAT,** W/o Prashant Dadasaheb Thorat, age 44 years, R/at No. 404, Block B, Opp. BEML Hospital, Jagdish Nagar, Bengaluru North, New Thippasandra, Benglauru-560 075, Karnataka India do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **MINAL PRASHANT THORAT** to **MINAL THORAT**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **MINAL THORAT** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 4-1-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **SIVAKUMARA M.N.** at Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **No. 15381448H**, Rank: Ex-TS NK, Regt: Signals, Name: **PRABHAKAR M,** S/o Late Adeppa B, aged about 49 years, residing at 1st Block, Koratagere Taluk, Holavanahalli, Tumkur-572 121, have changed my daughter's name from **KUSUMA** to **KUSUMA P,** vide affidavit dated 04-01-2023 before Notary **S I Balaguru,** Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **B. MUNI LEELA PRASAD**, aged 25 years, S/o B. Munaswamy, residing atNo.43, (2667), 28th Main, 36th A Cross, Jayanagar 9th Block, Bangalore-560069, have changed my name from **B. MUNI LEELA PRASAD** to **AMITH RAJU BANDARU**.,vide affidavit dated 5/4/2019 sworn to before Jayalingayya Mudenoormath advocate and notary Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **(OLD NAME) MEER SALAUDEEN,** residing at No. 1/A, Madina Manzil, 37th Cross, 19th Main, 5th Block, HBR Layout, Kalyan Nagar Post, Bangalore-560043, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) MEER SALAUDEEN** to **(NEW NAME) MEER SALAUDDIN** vide affidavit Dated 04/01/2023 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, KARUNYA.L.SIMHA D/o Lakshminarasimha.N.S., W/o P.Karthik Bhat, residing at #171, 1st Main, IV Cross, BSK I Stage, II Block, Srinivasanagar, Bangalore 560 050, have changed my name to **KARUNYA K. BHAT** vide affidavit dated 19-11-2008 sworn to before Advocate and Notary P. Anuradha, Bengaluru.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **Shabeena Gani**, W/o Gani V A R @ Vanakar Abdul Rahman Gani, D/o Abdul Hamid, aged about 47 years, residing at No. 7, 14th Cross, Fathima Layout, Govindapura, Arabic College Post, Bangalore-560045, have changed my name from **SHABEENA** to **SHABEENA GANI.**, vide affidavit dated 4/1/2023 sworn to before K.G Rajpal advocate and notary Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **PRANAV HARISH NAMBIAR,** S/o Harish .M.B, residing at No. 171, 4th Cross, Cambridge Layout, Halasuru, Bengaluru-560 008, have changed my name to **VEDIYERA CHANDROTH PRANAV HARISH NAMBIAR,** vide affidavit dated 3-1-2023 before Notary **K. VENKATESHAN,** Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **RADHA** is legally wedded spouse of No. JC092305X Rank Sub Hon. Captain, Name **RAJAGOPALANUNNI** presently R/at Flat No. 203, Mathrushree Homes, 3rd Main, 5th Cross, Kalappa Layout, Rajanna Colony, Basavanagar, Marathahalli Colony, Benglauru-560 037 have changed my name to **RADHA RAJAGOPAL,** vide affidavit dated 04-01-2023 before Notary **B V NAGABHUSHANA,** Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **SATHISHA CHAVADIMANE** (New Name), aged about 46 years, S/o. Putta Devadiga, resident of Flat No.I-402, 3rd Floor, SRK Garden, Kudlu, Hosur Road, Kudlu, Bommanahalli, Bangalore, Anekal, Karnataka- 560068, India, that I have changed my name from **SATHISHA** (Old Name) to **SATHISHA CHAVADIMANE** (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called as **SATHISHA CHAVADIMANE** (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 02/01/2023, before Notary Mahesha J.J, Bangalore.

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **MADHAVI G BHADRI** W/o. Gururaj K Bhadri, residing at Flat No 005, Achuth Classic, Building No. 15, 6th Main Road, I.T.I. Layout. Mallathahalli, Nagarabhavi, Bengaluru South. Bengaluru-560 056, have changed my name from **BHARATI KULKARANI** to **MADHAVI G BHADRI.**, vide affidavit dated 4/1/2023 sworn to before Varija C.J advocate and notary Bangalore

**CHANGE OF NAME**
I, **R SUSILA**, Aged about 49 years, W/o. Ramalingam, D/o. Mariyasoosai, R/at No. 5/116, North First Street, Veeranakunnam Post, Devadur, Murugampakkam, Kancheepuram, Tamil Nadu - 603 306, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ROSELINE** to **R SUSILA** vide affidavit dated 04.01.2023 sworn to before P.N. Nagesha, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, at Bengaluru.

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Thank you for blessings and favours granted. Seek your blessings always.
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# HOSTEL HUDUGARU BEKAGIDDARE WILL MAKE OUR INDUSTRY PROUD: RAKSHIT SHETTY

The youthful college drama, directed by debutant Nithin Krishnamurthy, will now be presented by Rakshit's Paramvah Pictures

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NITHIN Krishnamurthy's directorial debut, *Hostel Hudugaru Bekagiddare*, sparked interest with its title, and the innovative way of launching the film's poster. The youthful drama caught the attention of actor-filmmaker Rakshit Shetty, who is set to present the film under his Paramvah Pictures banner.

An official announcement was made by Rakshit on his social media handles. "Paramvah Pictures has had the privilege to present some of the best films in the past years. It brings me utmost happiness to add to this list yet another fabulously fabricated film from a genre quite different from what was presented by us. A passionate group of creatively simulated youngsters have come together to create this hilarious and breezy film that is certain to walk you down the nostalgic path. I can confidently claim that the way this film has been pictured, no other film in their country has explored this style before. One more film to make our industry proud. Paramvah Pictures proudly presents *Hostel Hudugaru Bekagiddare* (sic)," he wrote.

Expressing his excitement about associating with Rakshit Shetty, Nithin says that his patience has finally borne fruit, and the filmmaker's backing is the best boost his film can get. "External backing from a popular production house like Paramvah Pictures is a big deal. Rakshit came on board after he watched the film," says Nithin, adding, "*Hostel Hudugaru Bekagiddare* now gets wings to fly, and the film will reach out to wider audiences in theatres."

Meanwhile, the team plans to begin the film promotions with the audio launch and the first single, will be released by Rakshit Shetty, Rishab Shetty, Dhruva Sarja, and Dhananjay.

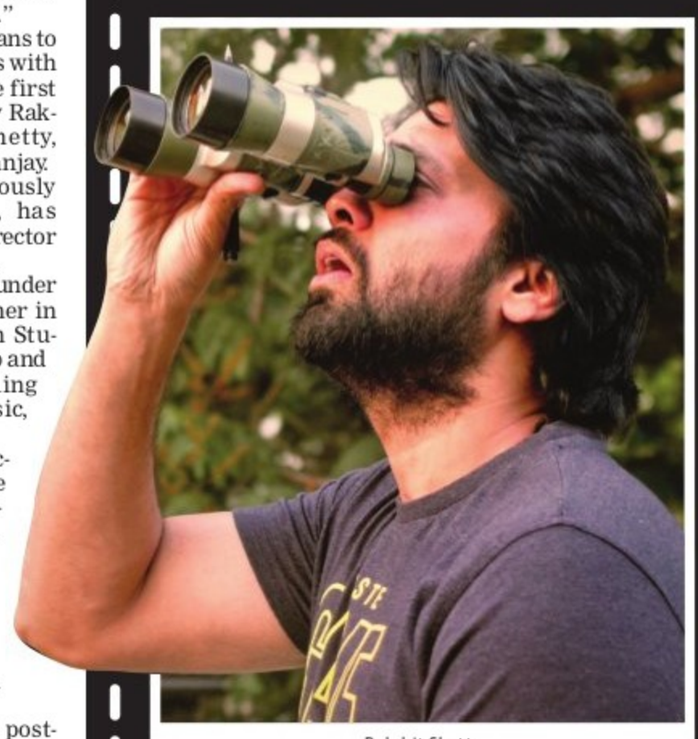
Nithin, who has previously worked in television, has worked as an assistant director in Pawan Kumar's *Lucia*.

*Hostel Hudugaru* made under the Gulmohar films banner in association with Varrun Studios, has Arvind Kashyap and Ajaneesh Lokanth handling cinematography and music, respectively.

Nithin will be introducing 100 fresh faces in the film, for which the first-time director had auditioned at least 7,000 artistes. Interestingly, *Hostel Hudugaru...* will have a cameo by Rishab Shetty, Pawan Kumar, Shine Shetty and Sathish Neenasam

The film is now in the post-production stage and is eyeing a summer release.

Director Nithin along with Shine Shetty, Pawan Kumar and Rishab Shetty



Rakshit Shetty

# 'I need to act and learn, and get better at my craft'

... says Krishna, as he talks about his upcoming film *Mr Bachelor*, that is finally hitting the theatres this week

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*Mr Bachelor* was picked by actor Krishna at a time when he was writing the story for *Love Mocktail*. And after three years, the film is now finally hitting the theatres. "I have watched the film, directed by Naidu Bandaarru. Concept-wise, this is not an out-of-the-box film, but it will still make for a total timepass with good entertainment in the first half. The second half will have action sequences like regular commercial entertainers," says Krishna.

The film, releasing this week, also has Nimika Ratnakar, Milana Nagaraj, and Chikkanna in the lead cast.

For Krishna, who has delivered hits both as an actor and a director, says, "Every film is different, and every filmmaker is different. Just like how I have my signature style of making, other directors too would have their own. As an actor, I have to go by their vision."

Krishna has been one of the busiest actors in Sandalwood, and he had a lineup of releases through the year 2022, and it is the same in 2023 too. "It is necessary for every film industry, and personally to me, as an artist. I need to act and learn, and get better at my craft. Through these 2 years, I have understood I have repeated genres. I have taken the initiative to rectify such issues, and ensure my upcoming films place me in different roles and subjects."

Krishna



A still from the film

# Veerendra Heggade faces the camera for Rajendra Singh Babu's *Veera Kambala*

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RAJENDRA Singh Babu's *Veera Kambala*, made in Kannada and Tulu has Indian philanthropist Veerendra Heggade playing a cameo. A picture of Veerendra Hegde putting up makeup recently went viral and he is now said to have completed shooting his portions.

Speaking to *CE*, Rajendra Babu explained why he was particular about having Veerendra Heggade play this particular role. "Buffalo race, a folk sport, went through some complications in 1972, and there were difficulties in organising the race. It was Veerendra Heggade, who took the initiative and resumed the traditional sport, and since then he has been considered a patron of Kambala Race. So, I felt who better than Veerendra Heggade to play this pivotal role. I am glad he obliged," says the director, adding, "I have known him for the last 50 years, and we have even played cricket together. He was first seen on the silver screen as a child artiste in Sri *Dharmasthala Mahathme*, which was directed by my father, and this will be his second outing."

*Veera Kambala*, written by Rajendra Singh Babu, has Prakash Raj, Ravi Shankar, and Radhika Narayan in pivotal roles.

Backed by Arun Rao of AR Productions banner, *Veera Kambala* has music by Khadri Manikanth and cinematography by R Giri. It also stars real Kambala racers Srinivas Gowda and Swaraj playing the lead roles, apart from Naveen Padil, Gopinath Bath, Rajashekar Kotiyan, Mime Ramesh, Usha Bhandari, Bhojaraja Vamanjur, Geetha Surathkal, Suresh Shetty, Divya, Santosh Shetty, Yuva Shetty, Hardik Padival, and Santosh, among others.

The makers are aiming for an April release

Veerendra Heggade on the sets of Rajendra Singh Babu's *Veera Kambala*

# James Cameron hints at showing the dark side of Na'vi in *Avatar 3*

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FILMMAKER James Cameron said that the third instalment of *Avatar* will show the darker side of Na'vi, the race of extraterrestrial humanoids who live in Pandora. The second instalment, *Avatar: The Way of Water*, is successfully running the theatres. In this film, apart from the forest-dwelling Omaticaya, we are also introduced to another water-dwelling clan, Metkayina.

Both tribes live peacefully and only resort to violence when their land is seized by humans. And recently, Cameron revealed that the audiences might soon find out that not all Na'vi are good Na'vi.

Cameron said that *Avatar 3* will explore "different cultures from those I have already shown. The fire will be represented by the 'Ash People'. I want to show the Na'vi from another angle because, so far, I have only shown their good sides."

"In the early films, there are very negative human examples and very positive Na'vi examples," the director continued.

"In *Avatar 3*, we will do the opposite. We will also explore new worlds, while continuing the story of the main characters. I can say that the last parts will be the best. The others were an introduction, a way to set the table before serving the meal."

Meanwhile, the production of the third instalment of *Avatar* has been wrapped and it is scheduled to hit theatres on December 20, 2024.

# HORROR IS NOT ABOUT JUMP SCARES: DIRECTOR BHARATH J

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BEING an RJ, and having assisted filmmakers like Ramesh Aravind, Yogaraj Bhat, and Hindi filmmaker Neeraj Pandey, Bharath G is set to make his directorial debut with *Spooky College*. "I had a burning passion to be in cinema, and I learned a lot about filmmaking by watching world cinema, and our very own films too," says Bharath, who had completed a film, titled *Fly*, which starred Rajavardan and Milana Nagaraj, but unfortunately, it did not release. "Due to financial issues, *Fly* was kept on hold, and I started *Spooky College*. *Fly* too is ready, and hopefully, it will have a February or March release," says Bharath.

Backed by producer HK Prakash under Shree Devi Entertainers, *Spooky College*, a psychological horror thriller with elements of comedy, is set to hit theatres this week. Starring Vivek Simha, Kushi Ravi, and Prithvi Rashtrakuta as the leads, the film also comprises senior actors Prakash Belawadi, Hanumanth Gowda, Raghu Raman Koppa, Vijay Chendoor, Arvind Bolar, M K Mutt and Ashwin Hassan appearing in pivotal roles. The film, which has the tagline 'Admissions open', revolves around a 103-year- old college located in Dharwad, and a few portions were filmed in the dense forest of Dandeli.

Horror as a genre is a complicated subject, and according to Bharath, who gives reference to films like *Naan Ninna Bidalaare, Apthamithra*, *Shhh*, and *Rangitaranga*, says that such genres require a strong story and screenplay. "Horror is not just about jump scares. It requires content, and a strong storyline to keep the audience hooked. One of the reasons, I particularly camped at the 103-year-old college, and inside the forest area to pen the script. The atmosphere helped me compile my thoughts better, and has had an impact on my execution as well, and the backdrop inspired me a lot" says Bharath,

Spooky in general means 'Fear', and nowadays, it is rare to see a horror story set in a college backdrop. "Stage artiste Sudhindra, who plays an army man, has a backstory to his character, and *Siddlingu* Sridhar is also playing an important character called Lobo. There are also characters that bring in dark humour to the film," says Bharath, who adds that the strong technical crew of *Spooky College* will definitely be the highlight. With sound design by Radhakrishnan, music by Ajaneesh B Loknath, and editing by Srikanth, the cinematography of *Spooky College* will be by Manohar Joshi.

Bharath G